



What would the CA grid be like at 60% renewables ? - and how do we make it work?

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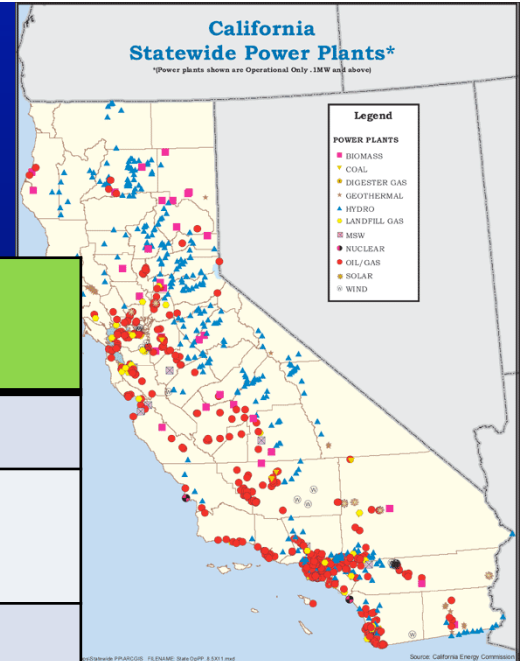


The Renewables Chasm

- Many analytical studies on RPS targets, etc.
 - CA Mandate 2010 → 20%, 2020 → 33%
 - Pathways to 2050 goals
- Many mechanisms for improving the grid
 - DC, DR, markets, supply-following, storage, ...
 - Each incremental change runs into severe constraints
- Goal: Step back and understand in broad terms what the challenges “will be” in a sustainable grid
- Understand dynamics at deep penetration
 - How do the roles of existing grid resources change?
 - How does *demand shifting* affect dynamics?
 - How do the critical challenges change?



CA grid today - Supplies



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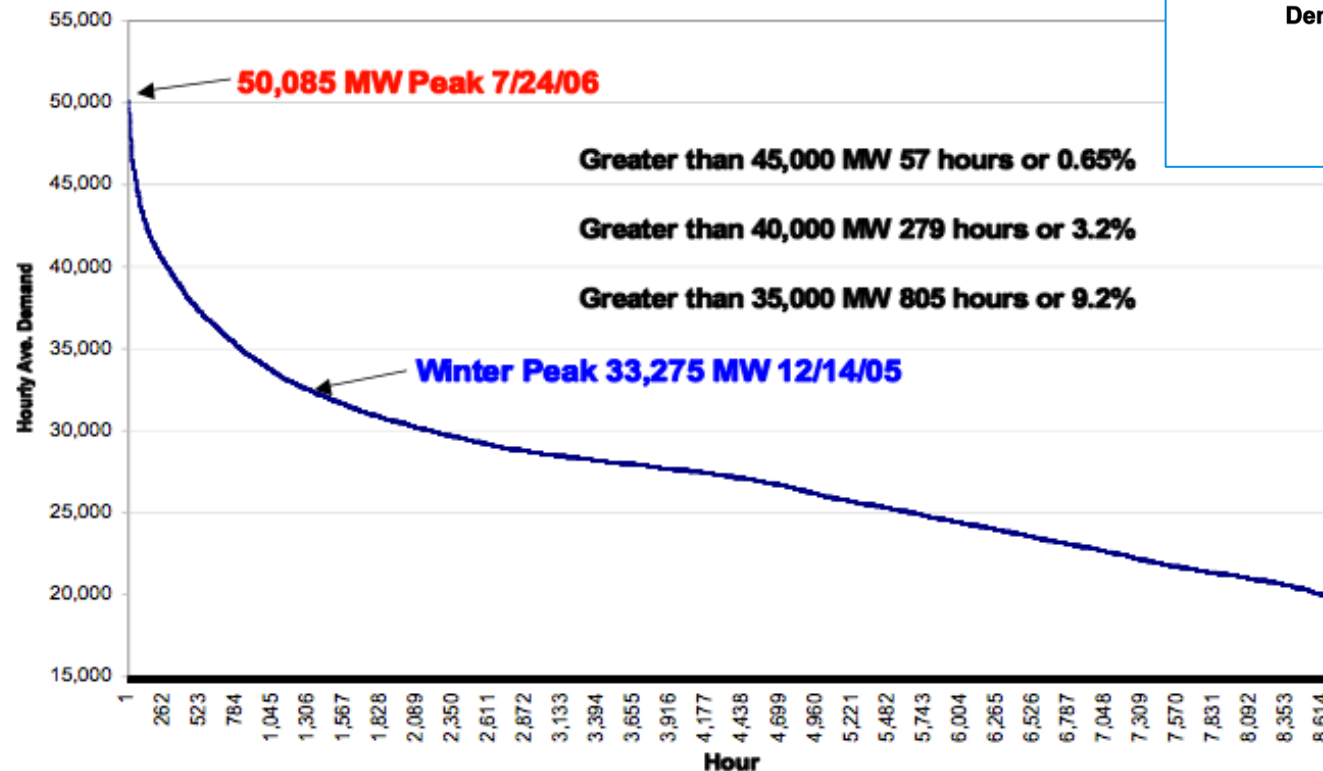
CA grid today – Supply Challenge



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CAISO Load Duration Curve

Sept '05 to Sept '06



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CAISO Operational Needs
from
Demand Response Resources

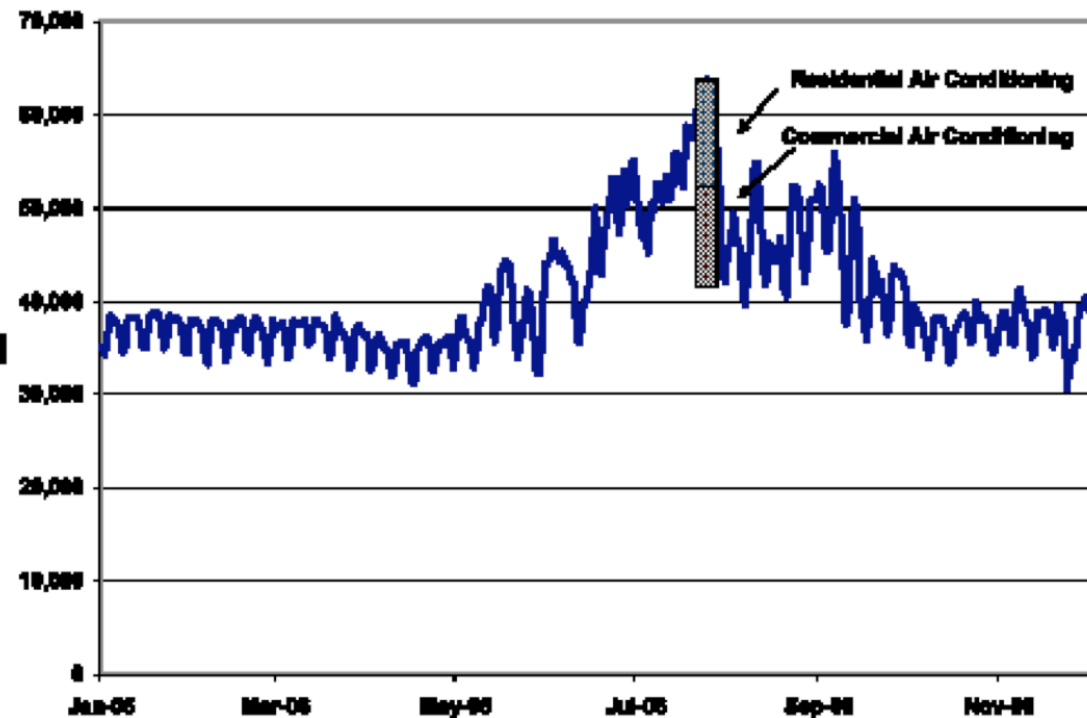
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More views – time and blend

California Daily Peak Loads – 2008



POWER CONTENT LABEL

	PRODUCT	2007 CA
ENERGY	NAME*	POWER
RESOURCES	(projected)	MIX**
Eligible Renewable	55%	10%
-- Biomass & waste	10%	<1%
-- Geothermal	11%	2%
-- Small hydroelectric	13%	6%
-- Solar	10%	<1%
-- Wind	11%	2%
Coal	16%	32%
Large Hydroelectric	12%	24%
Natural Gas	16%	31%
Nuclear	1%	3%
Other	<1%	0%
TOTAL	100%	100%

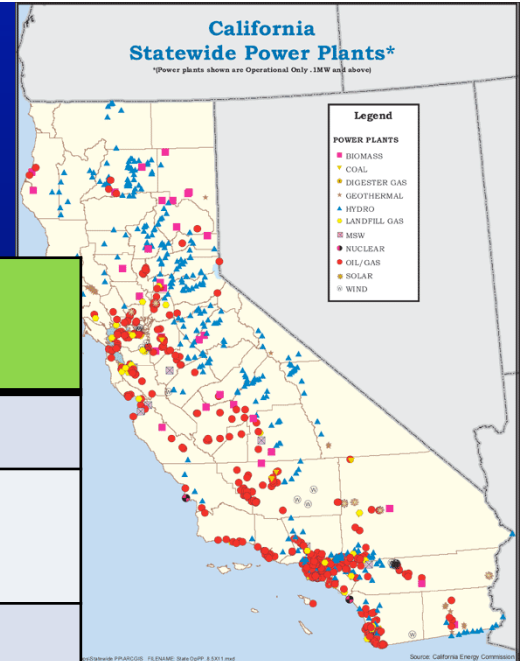
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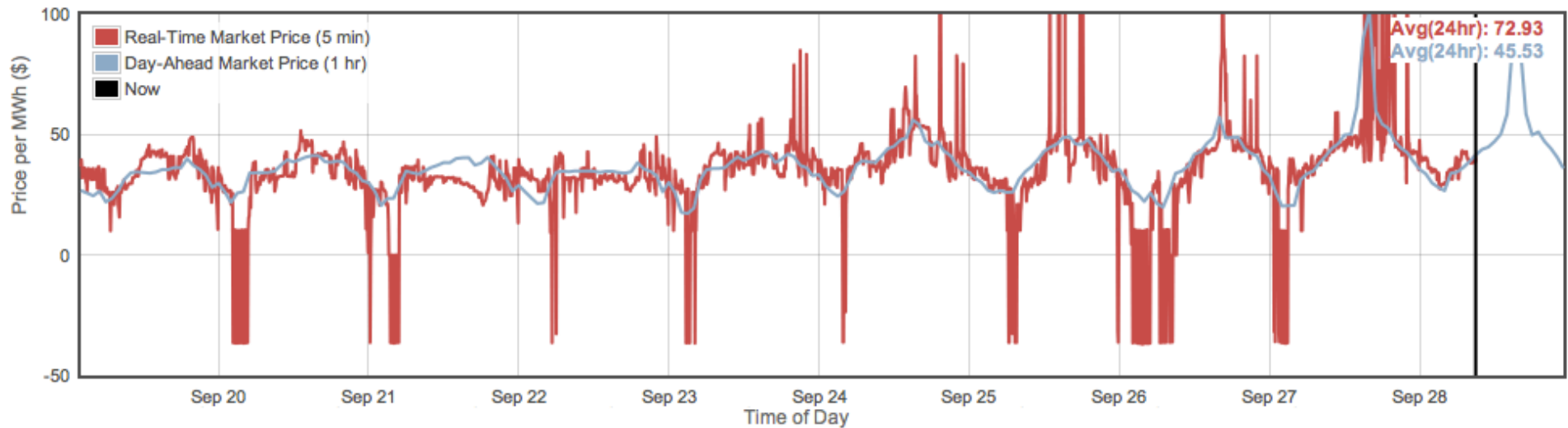
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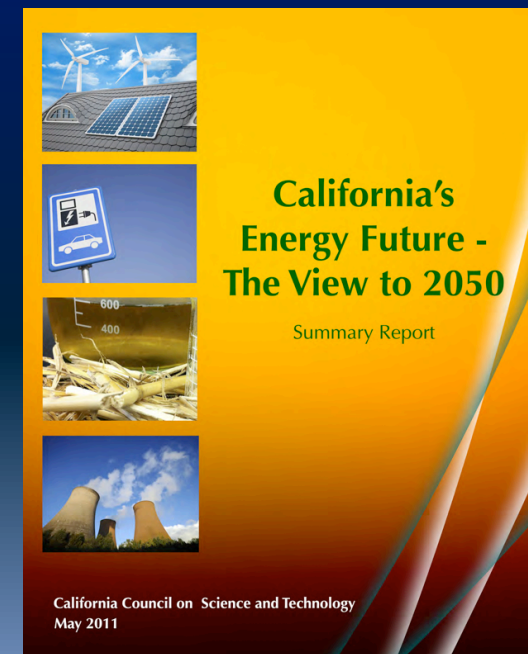
Energy Price





Quantifying Sustainability - CA Law

- AB 32
 - Reduce GHG emissions to 1990 levels by 2020
- Governor's executive order S-3-05 (2005)
 - 80% reduction below 1990 levels by 2050
- Renewable Portfolio Standard
 - 33% renewables by 2020,
 - 20% biopower procurement
- 480 => 80 mmT CO₂e in 40 years
 - Population: 37 => 55 million
 - Economic growth





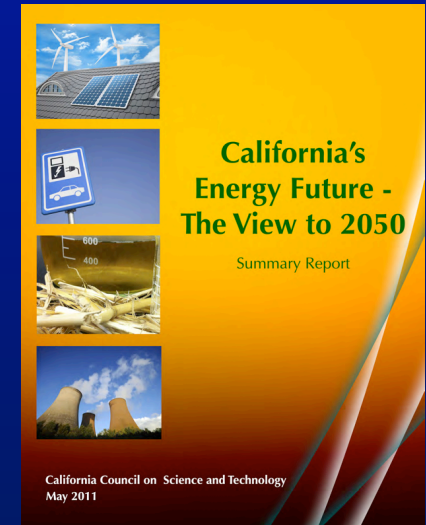
CA2050: GHG 90% below 1990

The short answer: **Yes, we can**

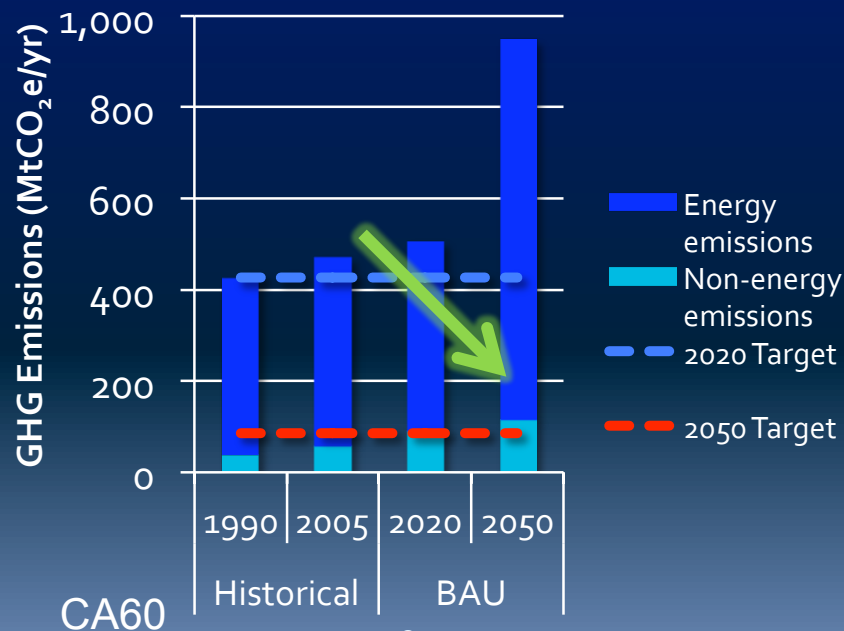
- We can achieve 80% cuts in emissions and still meet our energy needs.
- We can get ~60% of the cuts with technology we largely know about.
 - We basically know how to do this
 - A lot of this technology is in demonstration.
 - Deployment will depend on policy and innovation.
 - Note: We excluded extremely expensive technology
- We can get the rest of the cuts to 80% below 1990, but this will require new technology innovation and development.

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But, ...



Two major technology limitations will cause us to exceed the target:

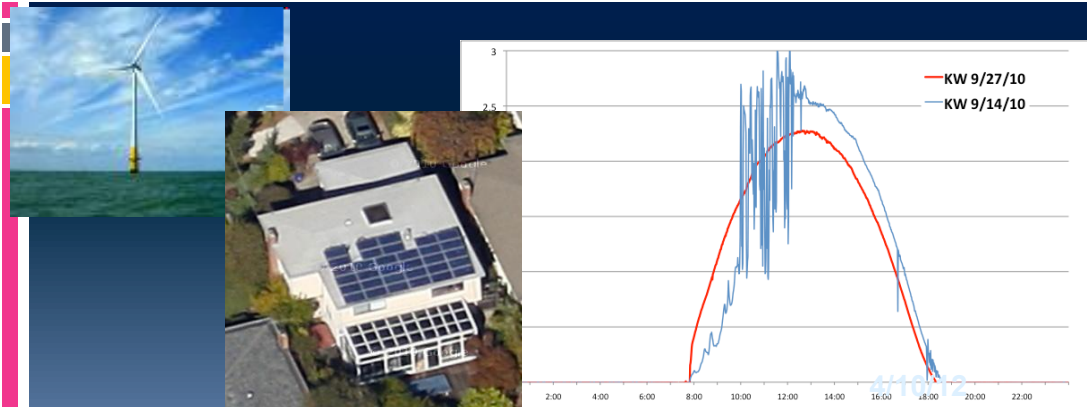
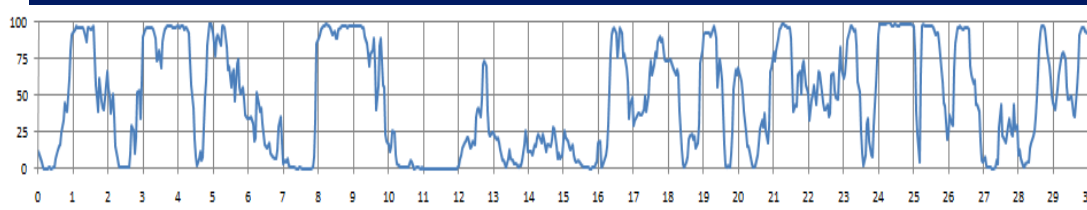
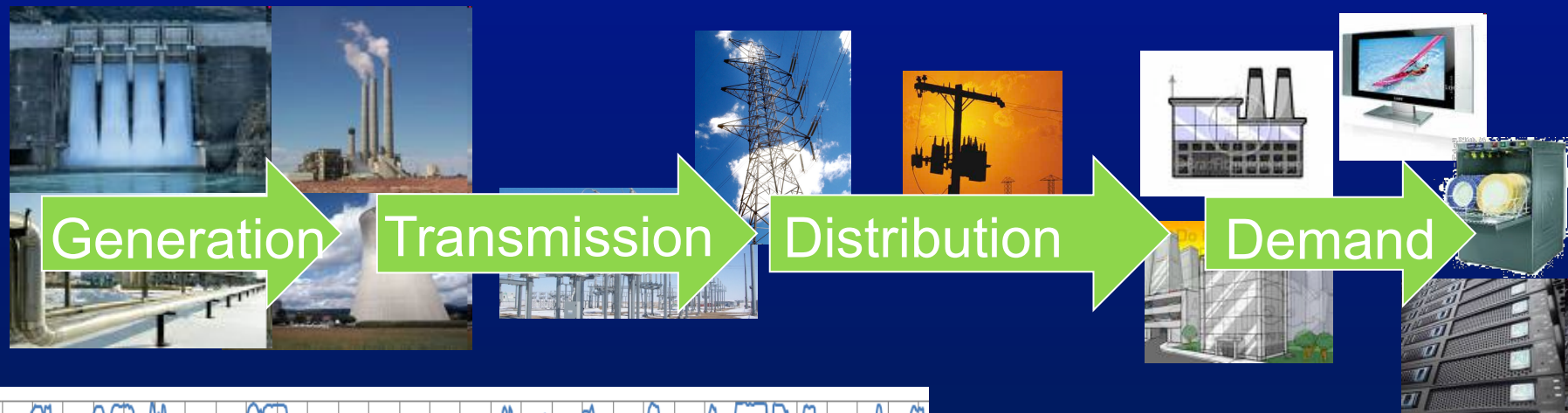
- We don't have sufficient technology for load balancing without emissions
 - This is an especially big deal if we don't have baseload power
- We don't have enough technology choices "in the pipeline" for de-carbonizing fuel.
 - Need advanced biofuels, but it likely won't be enough
 - CCS may play a larger role in fuels than in electricity



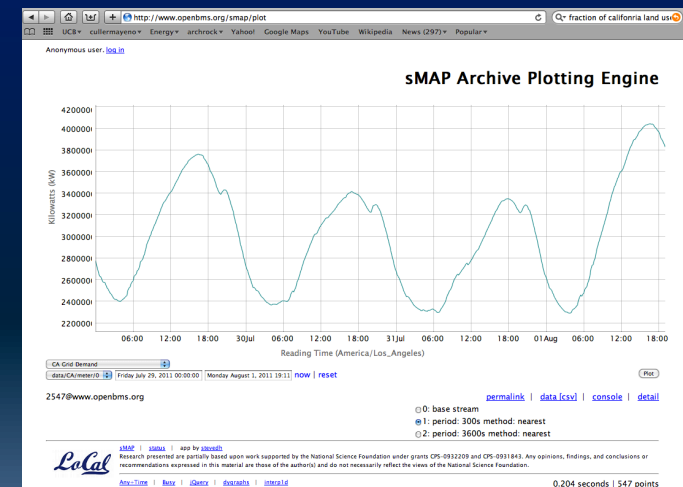
The Problem: Supply-Demand Match

Baseline + Dispatchable Tiers

Oblivious Loads



CA60





To 2050 ... Scenarios



Nuclear
62% nuclear
44GW
33% renewables
5% natl gas
load balancing



Fossil/CCS
62% fossil/CCS
49 GW
33% renewables
5% natl gas load
balancing



Renewables
90% renewables
(70% intermittent)
160 GW
10% natl gas
load balancing

**New Nuclear plant
every 14 months
for 40 years**

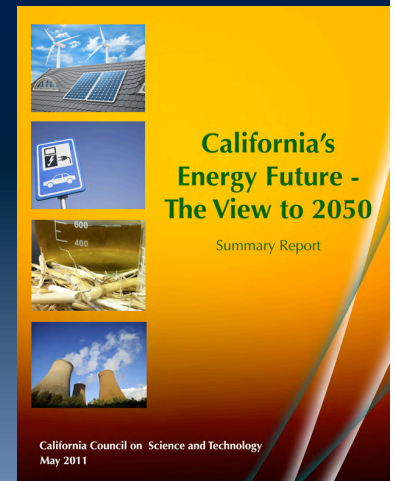
**New CCS facility
every 9 mo.
Exceeds saline
aquifer**

Resources exist
- 1.4 % of CA land
- 43% agriculture
- 3.4% urban



Zero Emissions Load Balancing (ZELB)

- Just the emissions from the natural gas used to *firm* the 33% renewables exceeds 2050 GHG target
- Even with 50% with natural gas & 50% with some yet-to-exist storage tech.





Towards an 'Aware' Energy Infrastructure

Baseline + Dispatchable Tiers

Oblivious Loads



Non-Dispatchable Sources

Aware Interactive Loads





Limits to Renewable Penetration

- Variability, Intermittency of Supply
- Visibility into Availability of Supply
- Ability of Loads to Adapt
- Algorithms and Techniques for Reactive Load Adaptation
- Capability of the Infrastructure to maintain the match



ZELB

- More challenging for the maximum renewables case
 - GW-days of storage needed
 - Smart grid solution is a challenge
 - Smart meter fiasco
 - Completely change business model to demand follows load vs load follows demand
 - Need whole different system of system control – but will this ever solve the GW-day problem?
- Would be easier to have significant baseload power
 - No more hydro likely
 - Renew interest in geothermal energy
 - Choose nuclear or CCS

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New visibility into the CA grid

California ISO – Daily renewables watch

http://www.caiso.com/green/renewableswatch.html

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Renewables Watch

The daily Renewables Watch provides important information about actual renewable production within the ISO grid as California moves towards a 33 percent renewable generation portfolio. The information provided is as accurate as can be delivered in a daily format. It is unverified raw data and is not intended to be used as the basis for operational or financial decisions.

Reports and data

- Daily Renewables output data for 04/08/2012
- Daily Renewables Watch for 04/08/2012
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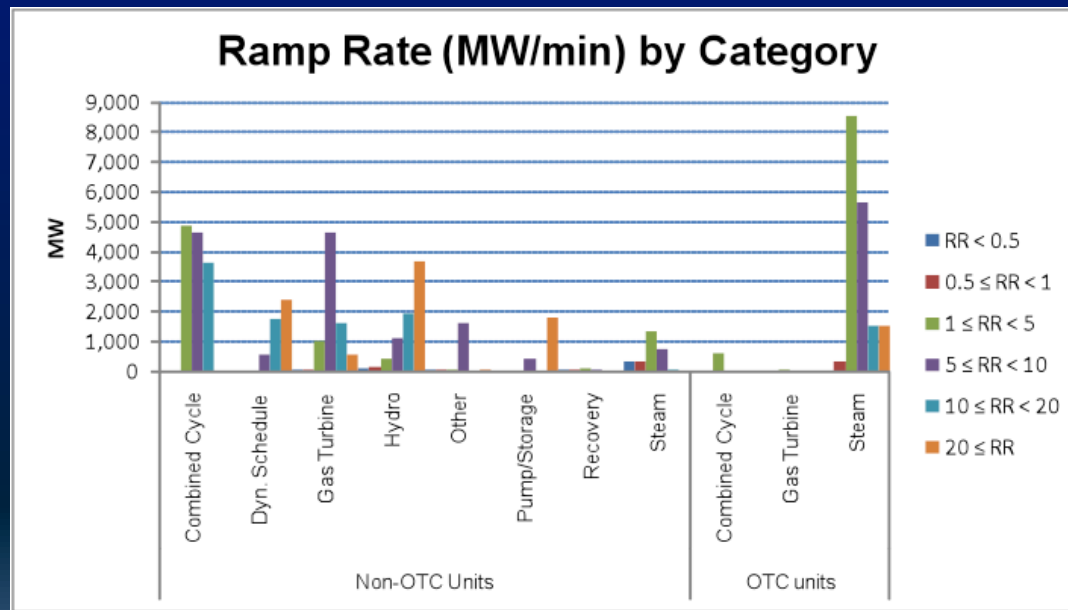
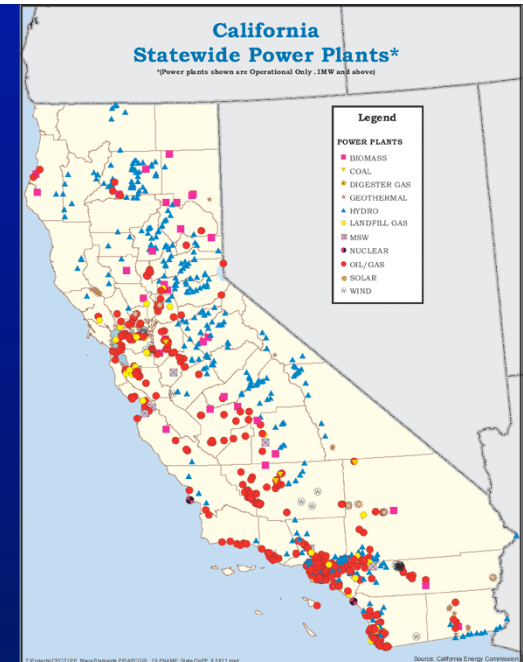
Click to view yesterday's output

- <http://www.caiso.com/green/renewableswatch.html>



Data Sources

- CA generation plant locations, type, and rated power (> 0.1 MW) [CEC]
- Hourly output from each type of CA generation source for > 1 year [CAISO]



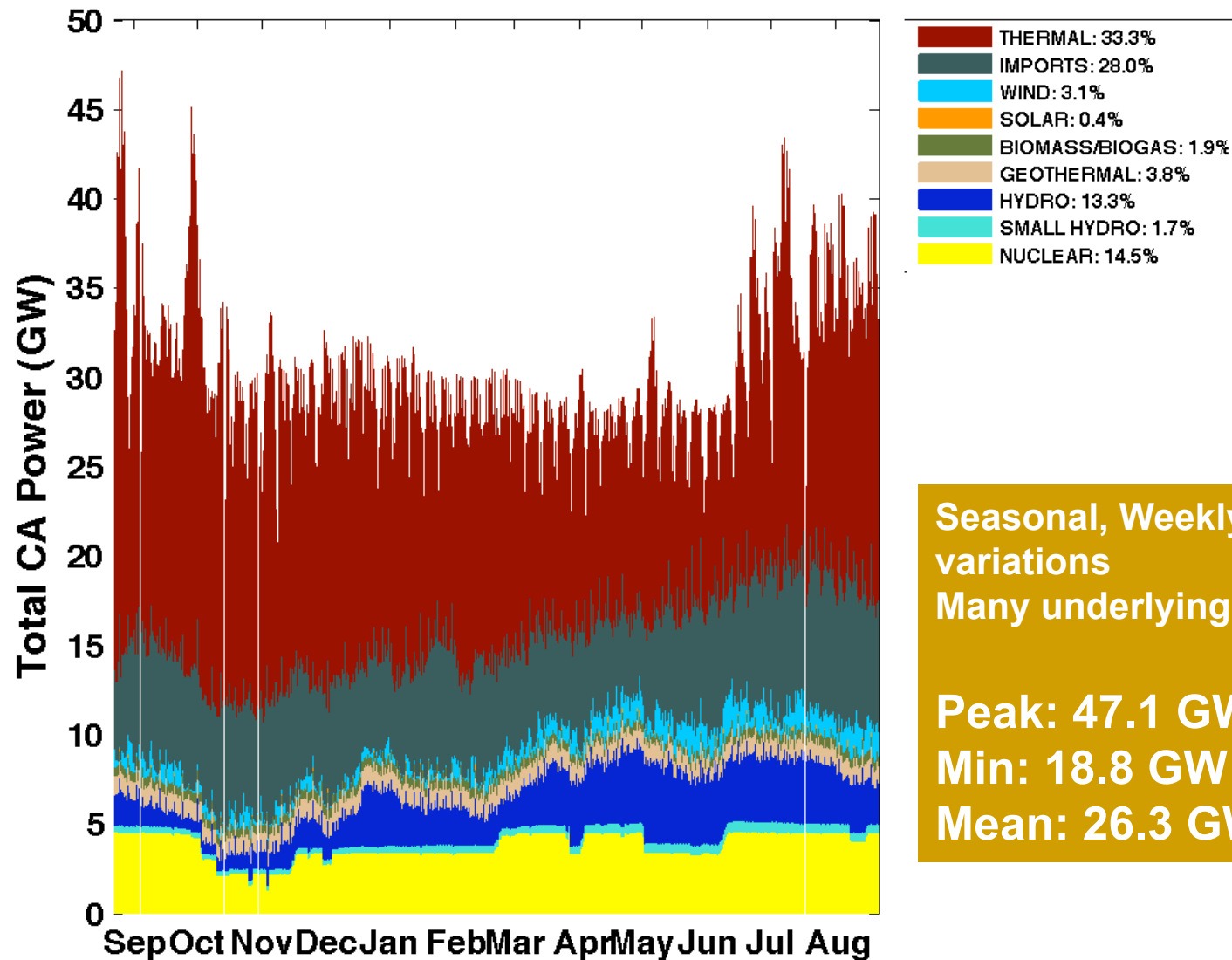
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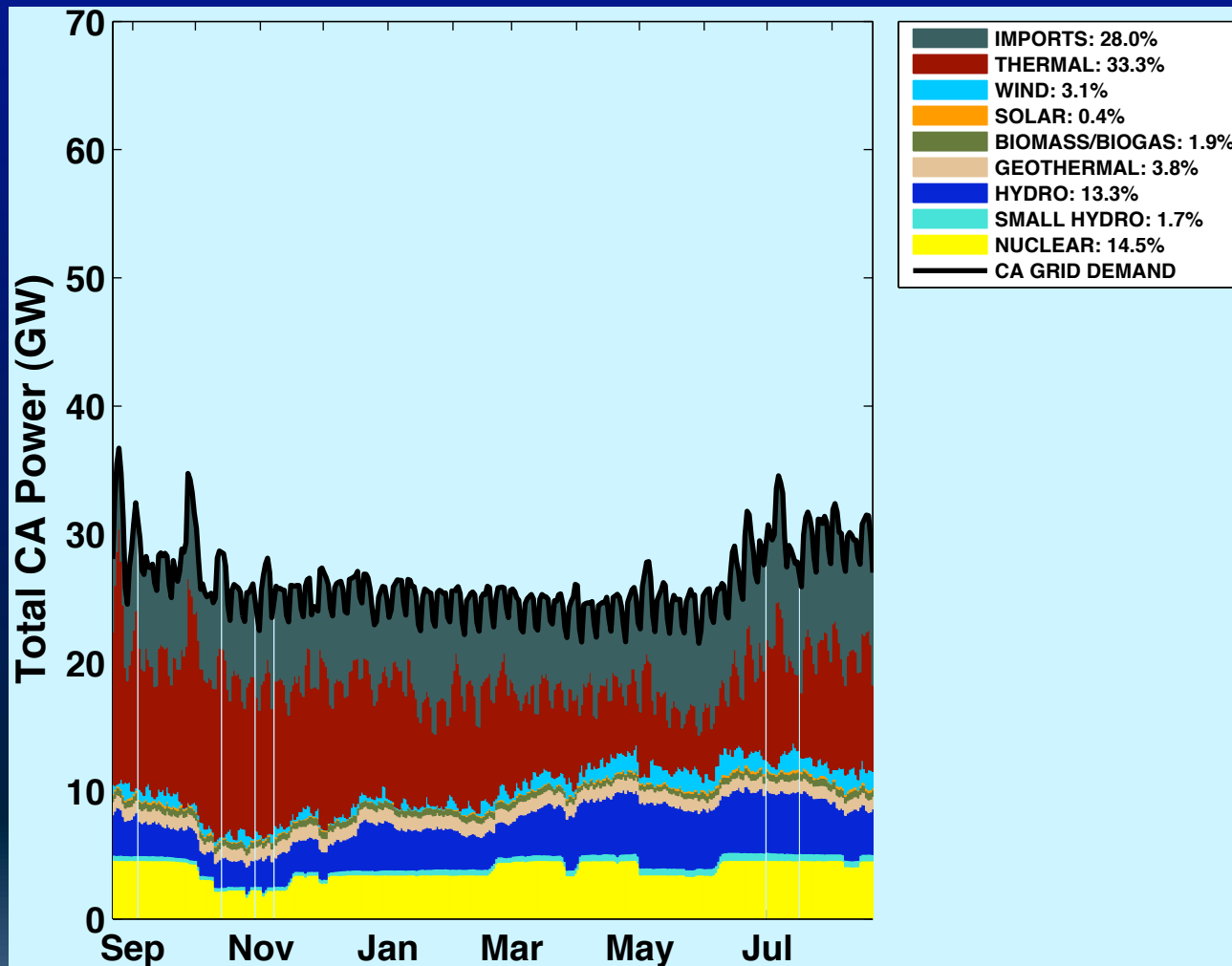
A year in the today's grid

CA Power - 22-Aug-2010 to 20-Aug-2011 - Full Year



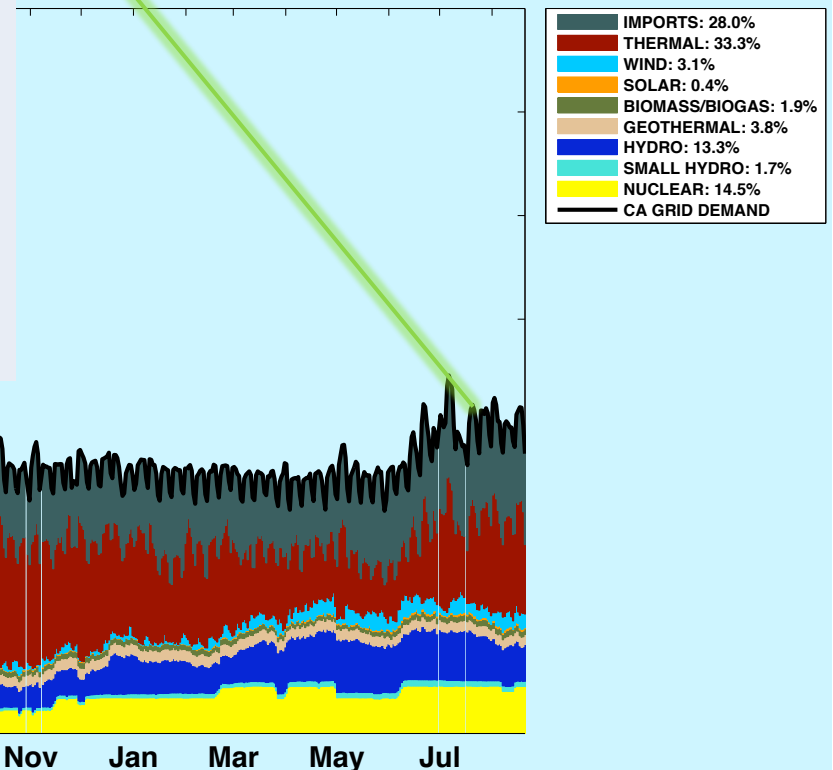
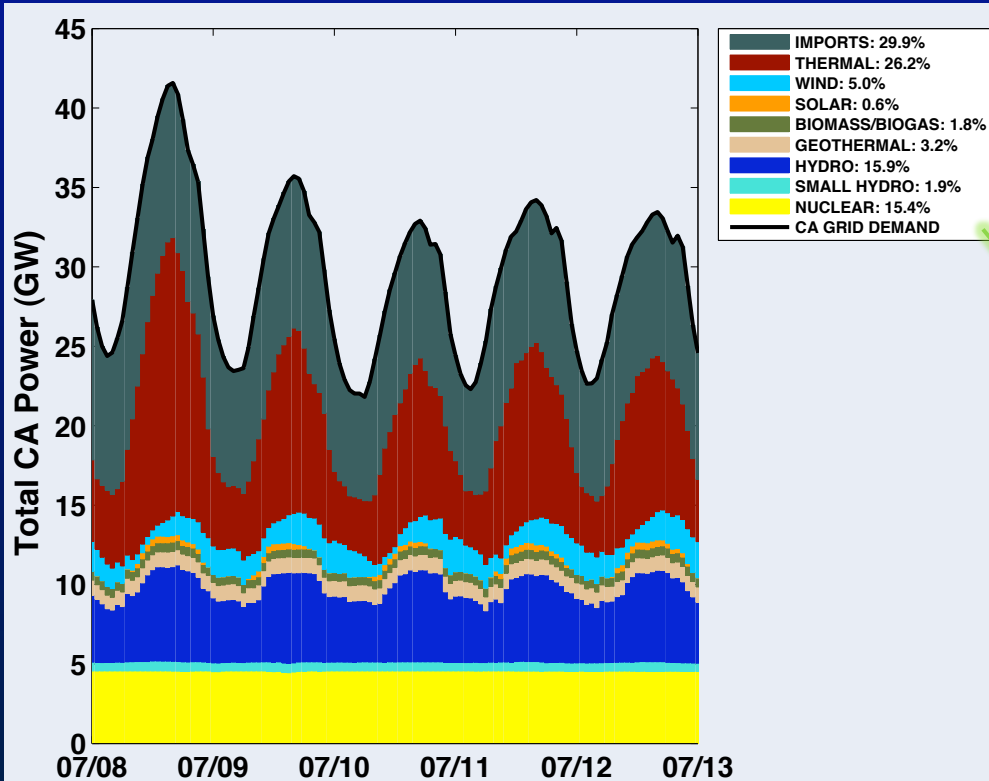


A year ... daily averages



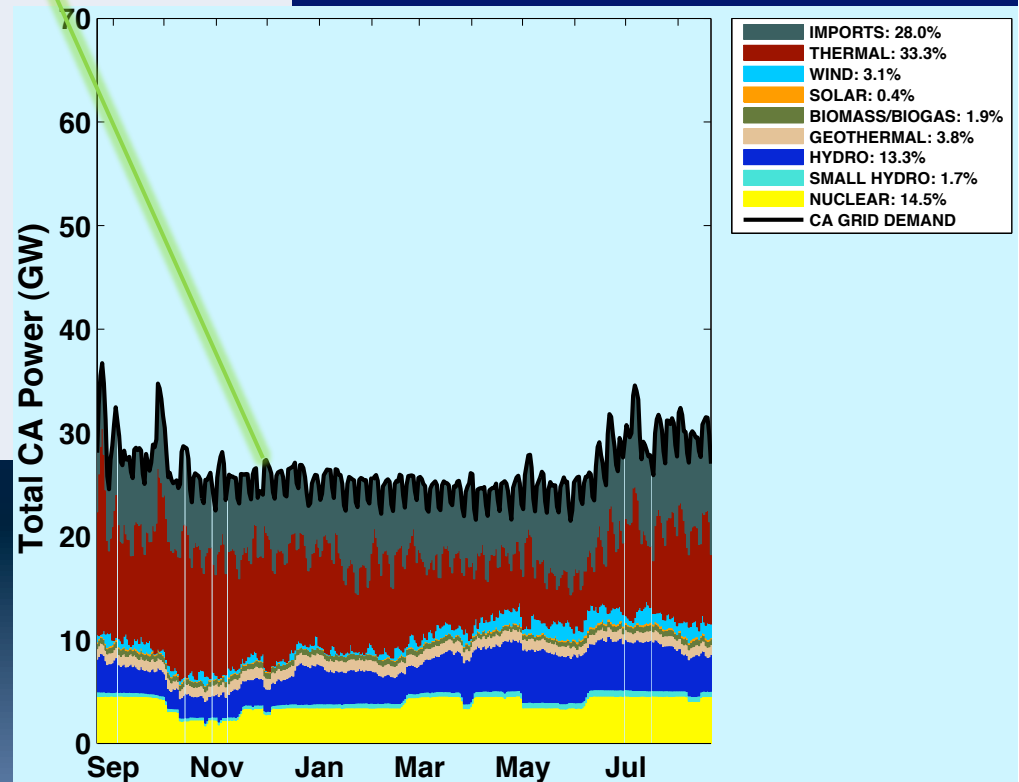
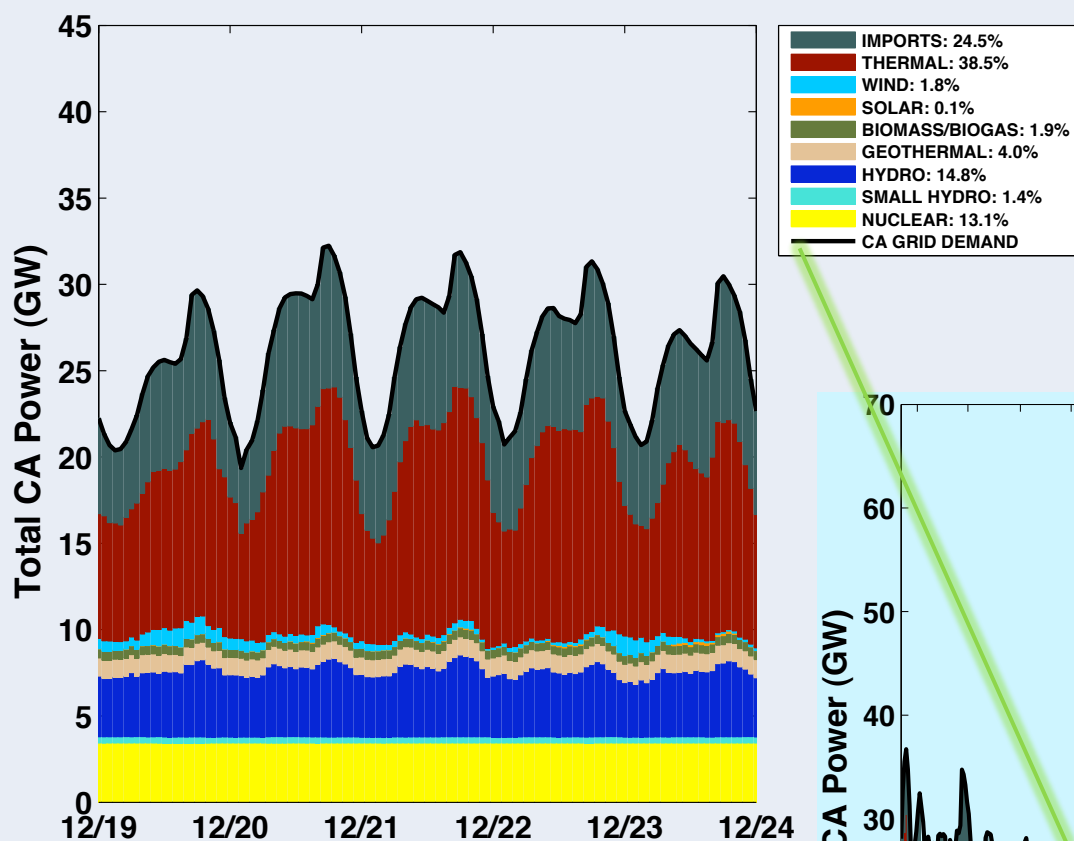


A mid-summer's week



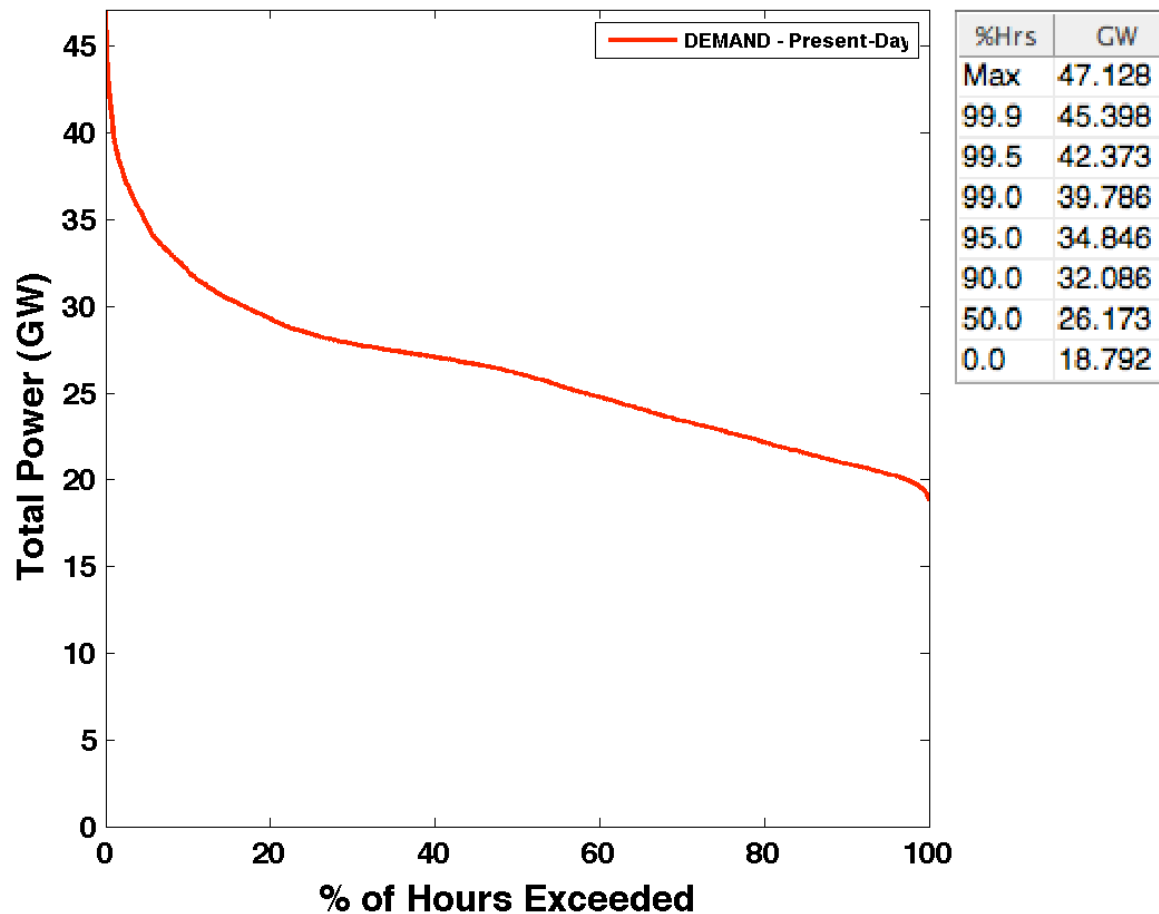


A winter week's tale



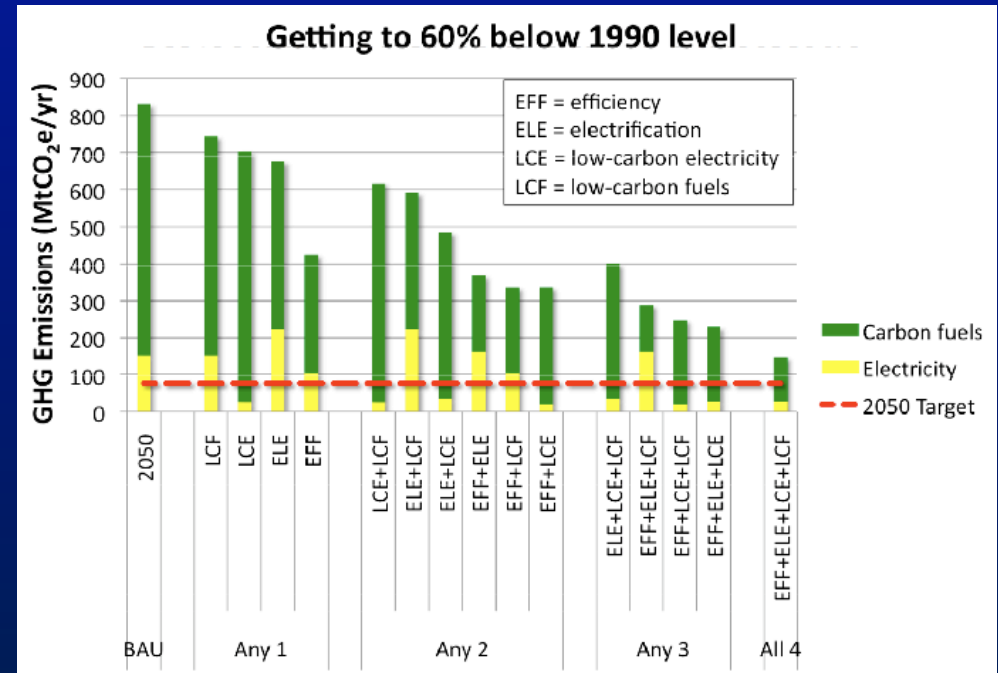


The Demand Duration Curve





Method for Understanding change?



- Statistical summaries and rules of thumb
- Growth rates
 - population, economic activity, portfolio
- Technological innovation

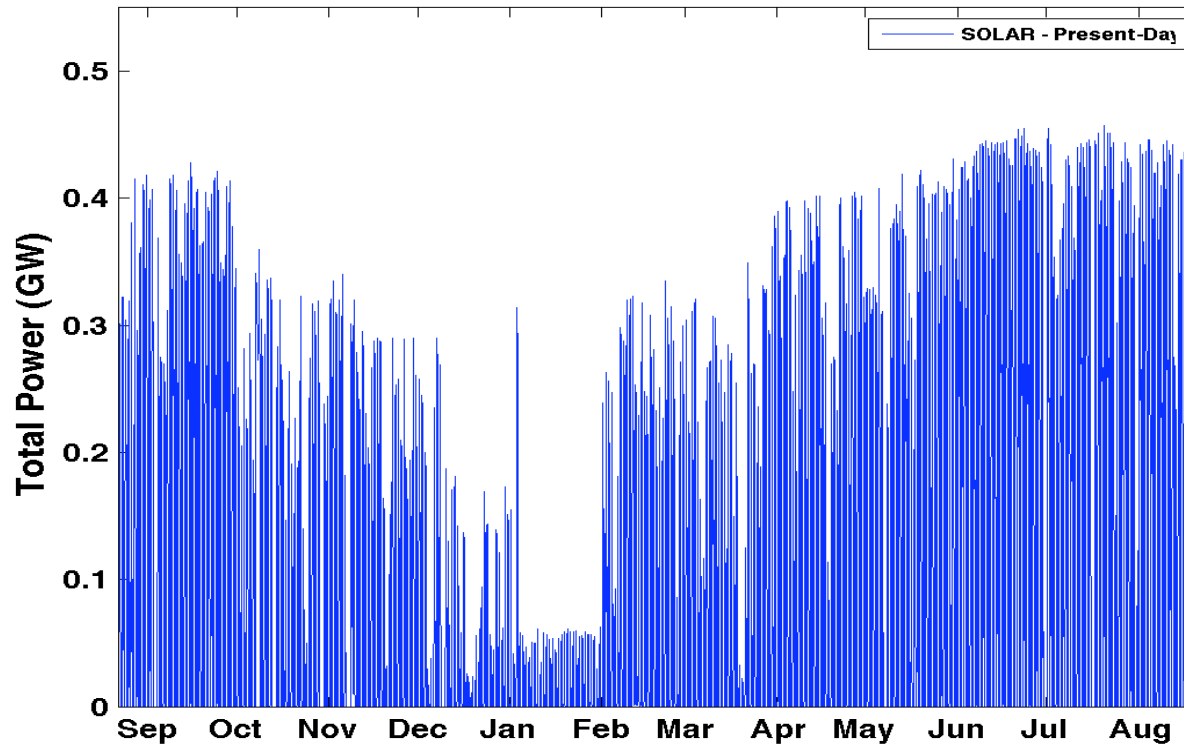


A Simpler “what if”

- Take current demand, current activity, current technology, current deployment
- At a crude top-level scale (by category)
 - Represented by the time series
- Scale up the renewable portions
 - Preserve the seasonal, weekly, daily, hourly effects of mother nature *
- Scale back the fossil fuel based supplies
- With current demand as a reference

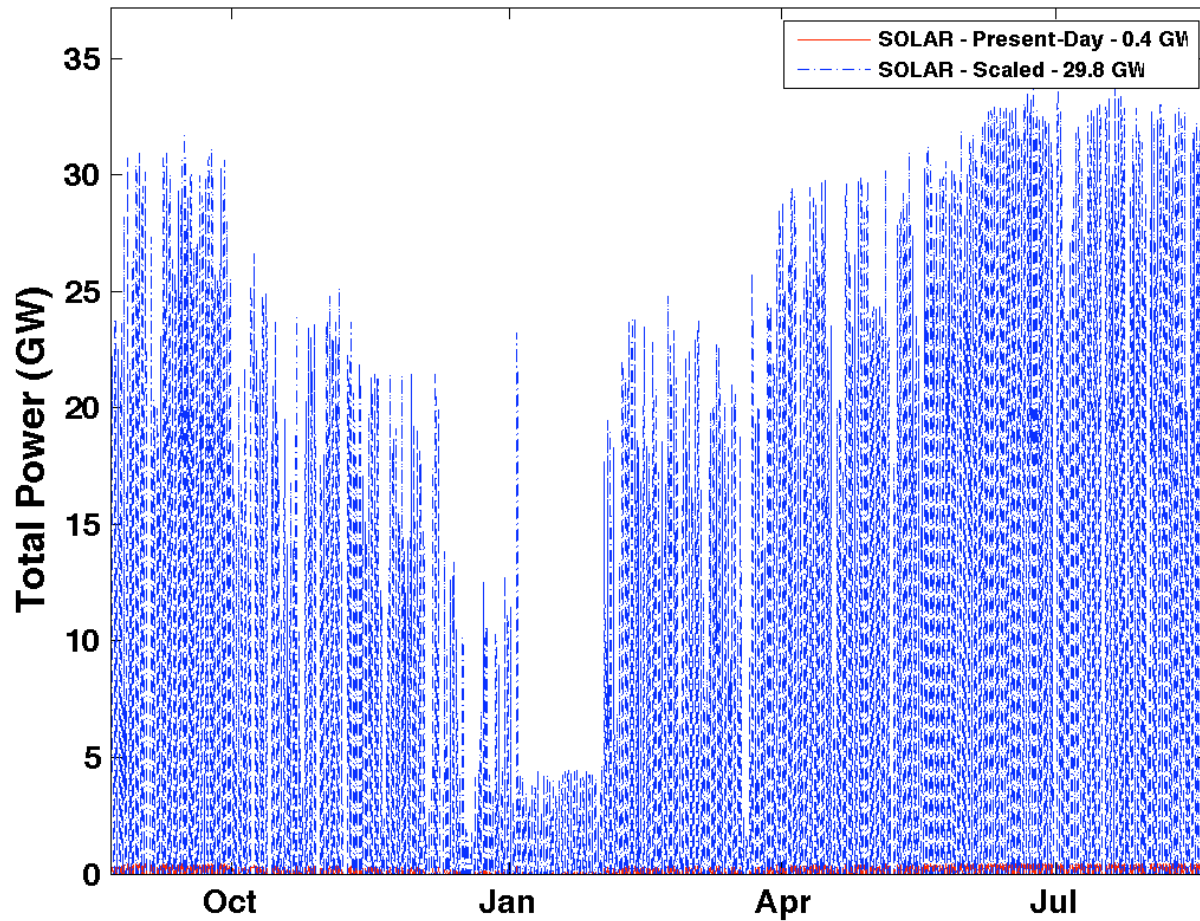


Example: Solar



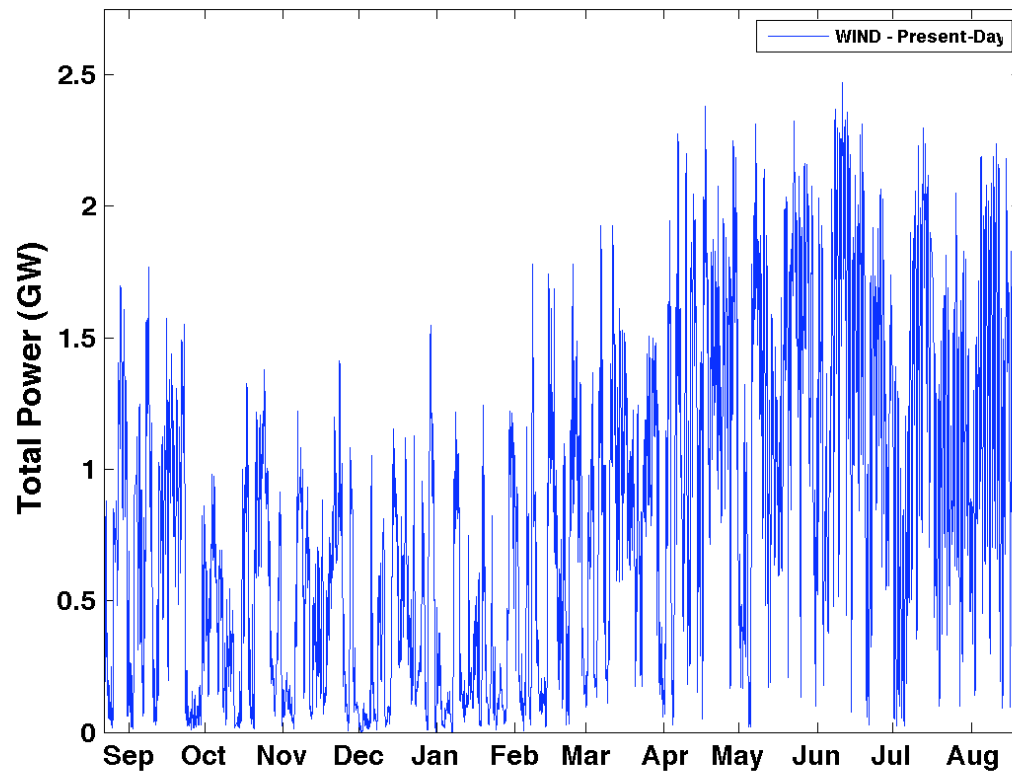


Example: Solar Scaled



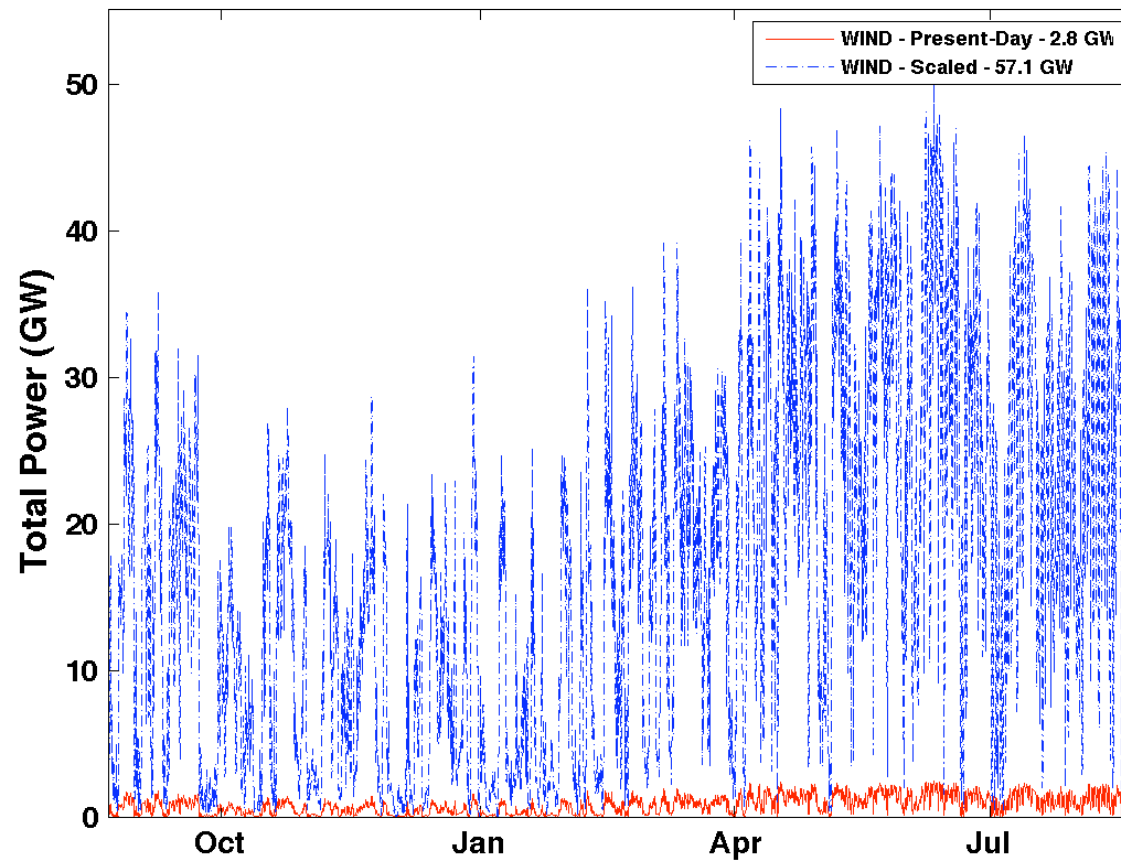


Example: Wind





Wind - Scaled





Caveats

- Captures dynamics as reflected in current design and deployment of these assets
 - Orientation, geographic diversity, weather, ...
- Does not reflect deeper constraints
 - Transmission capacity, ...
- Top level analysis of dynamics
 - Needs to be repeated at successively finer levels

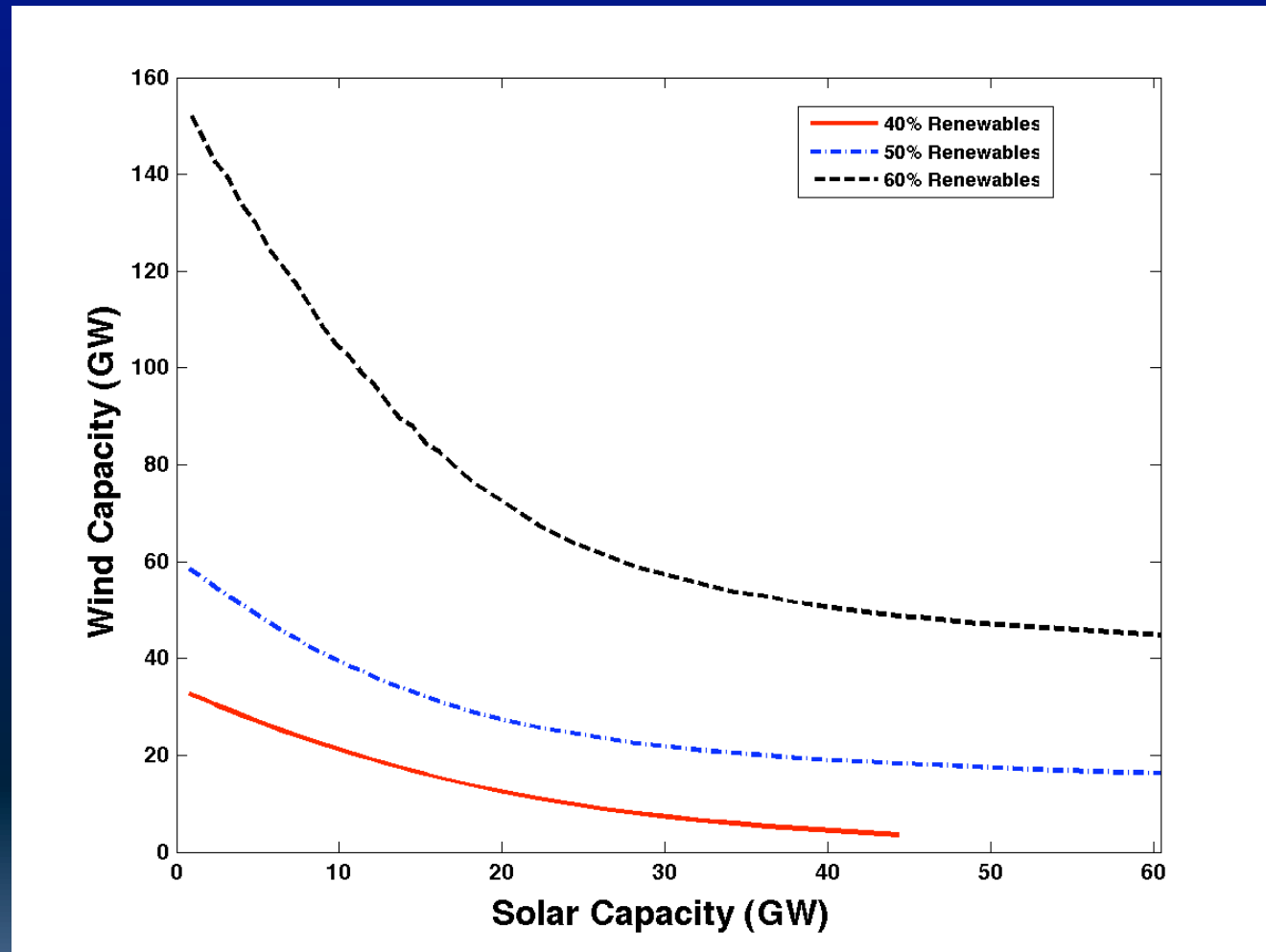


How much to scale each?

- Scaling of renewables depends on how availability interacts with demand
- At all timescales
- Find minimum combined capacity (cost?) that achieves a target penetration
 - Utilized energy with current demand

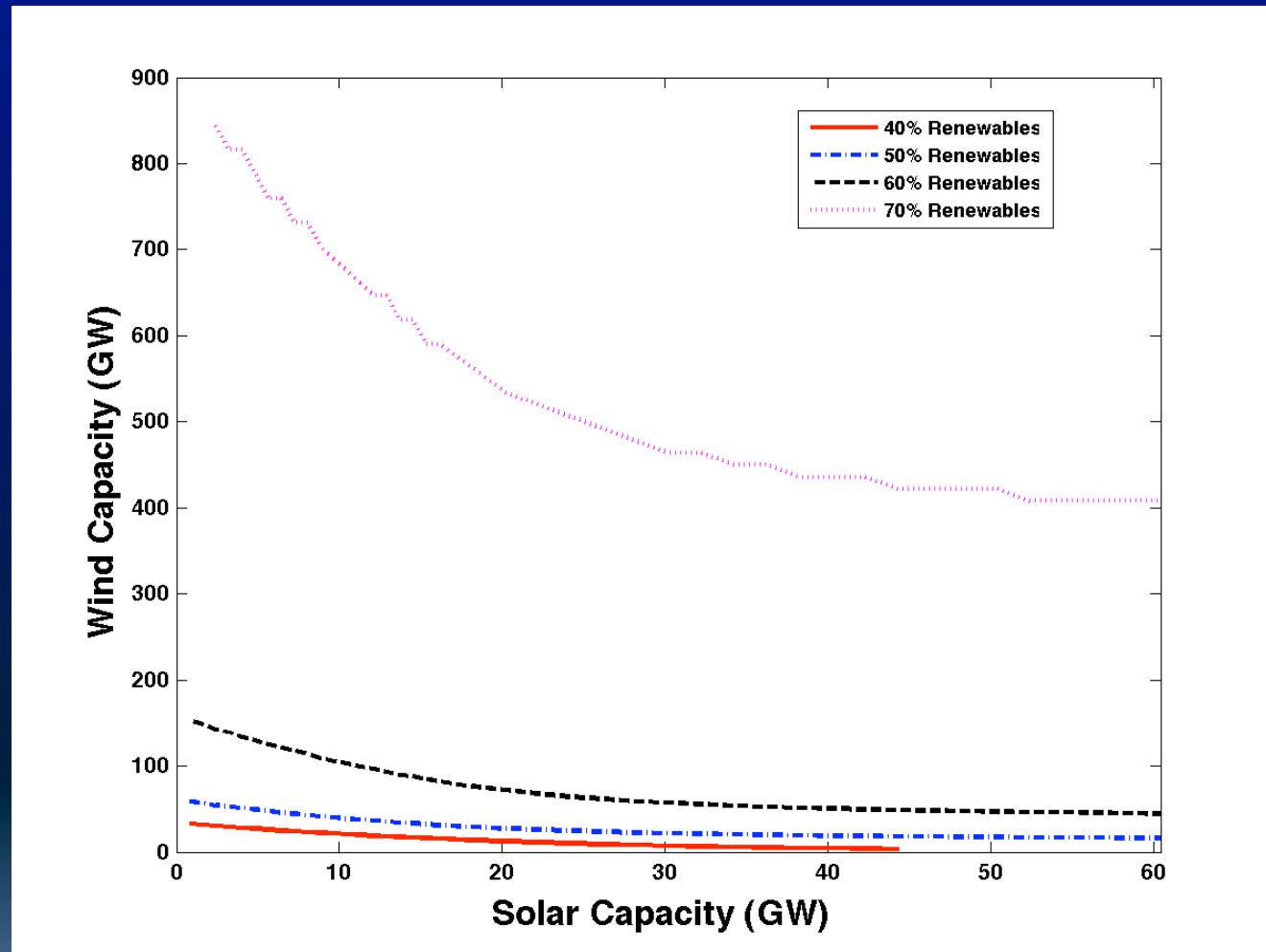


Joint Wind/Solar Scaling





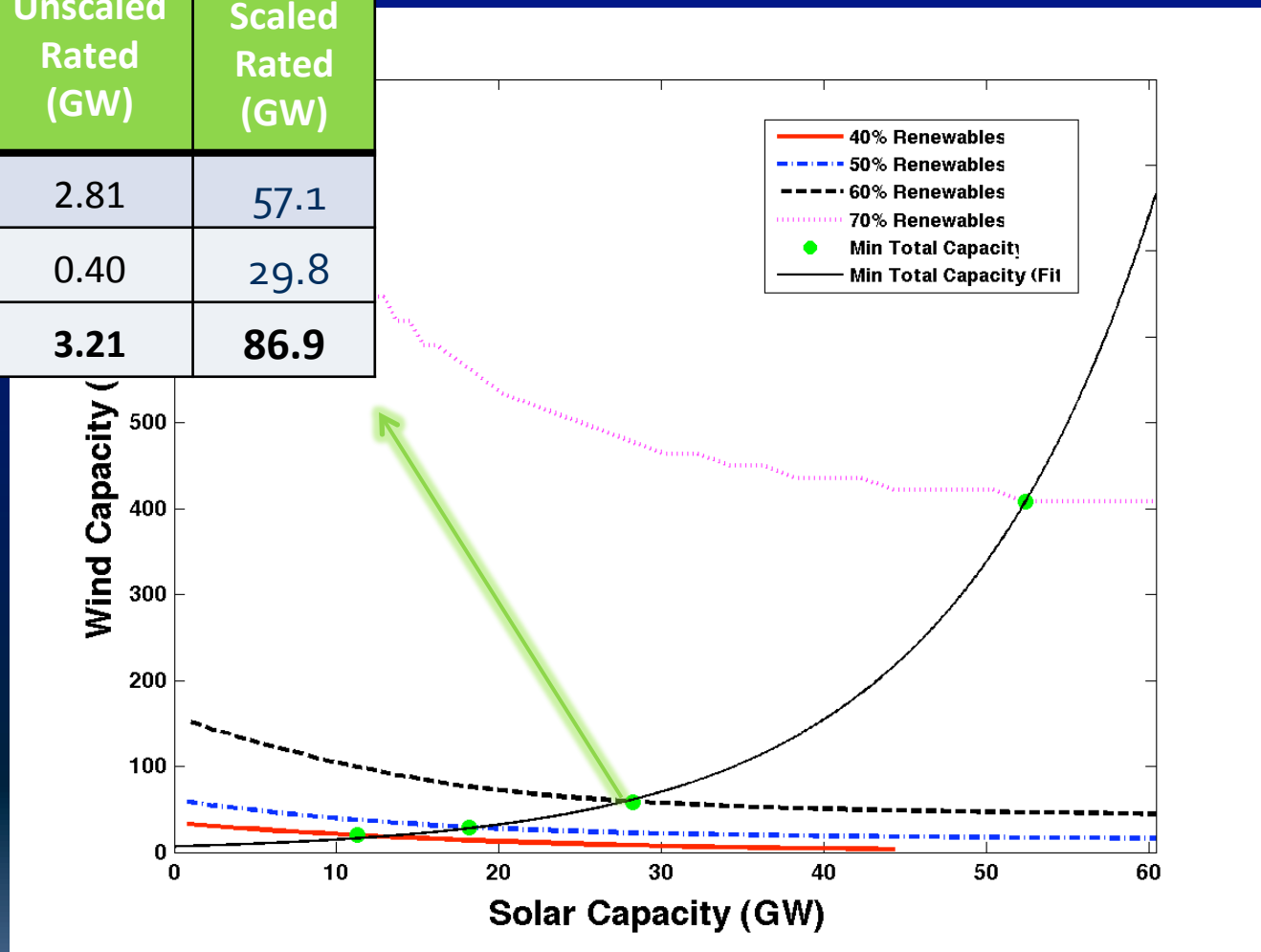
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Source	Unscaled Rated (GW)	Scaled Rated (GW)
Wind	2.81	57.1
Solar	0.40	29.8
TOTAL	3.21	86.9

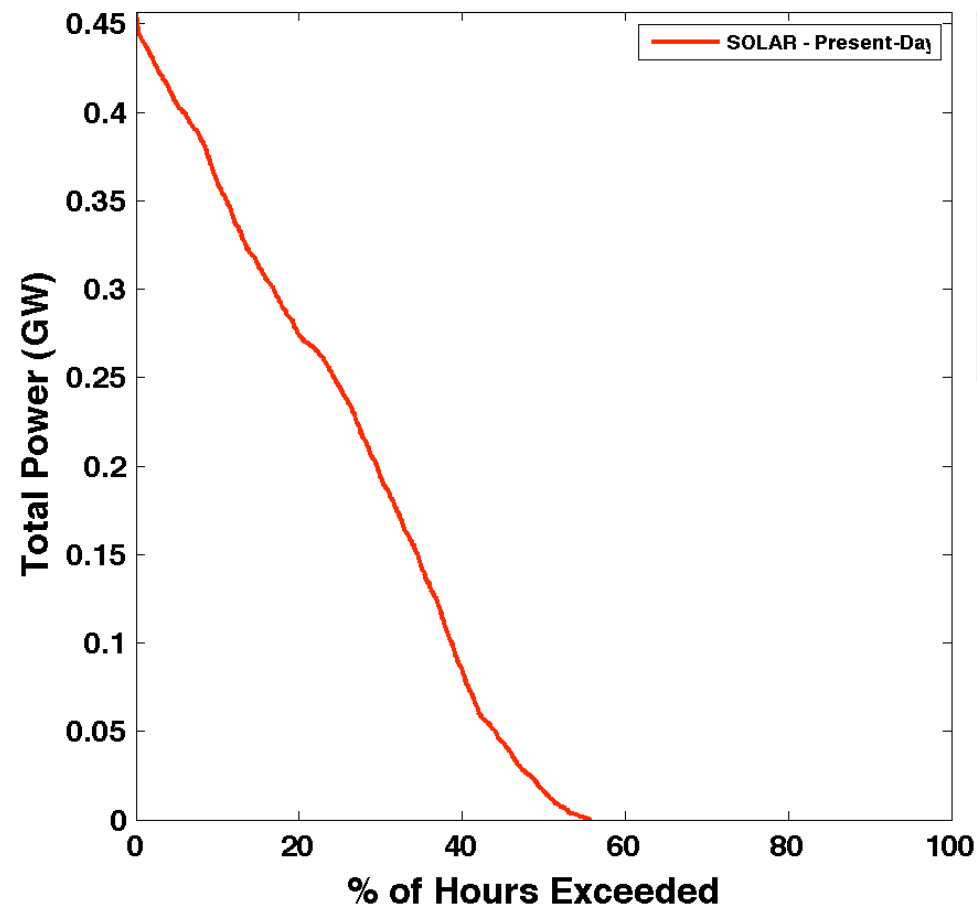




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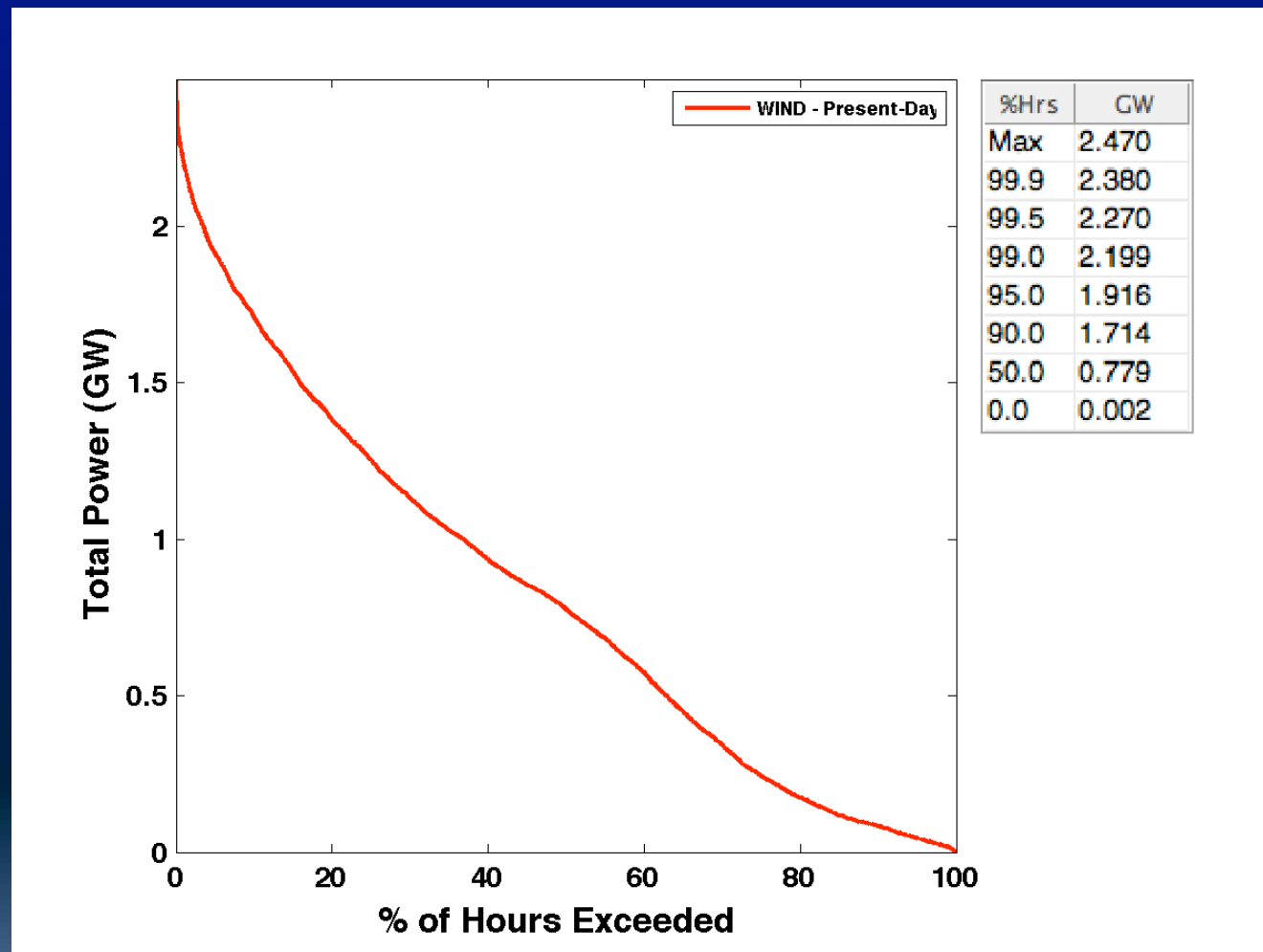


Solar Duration Curve



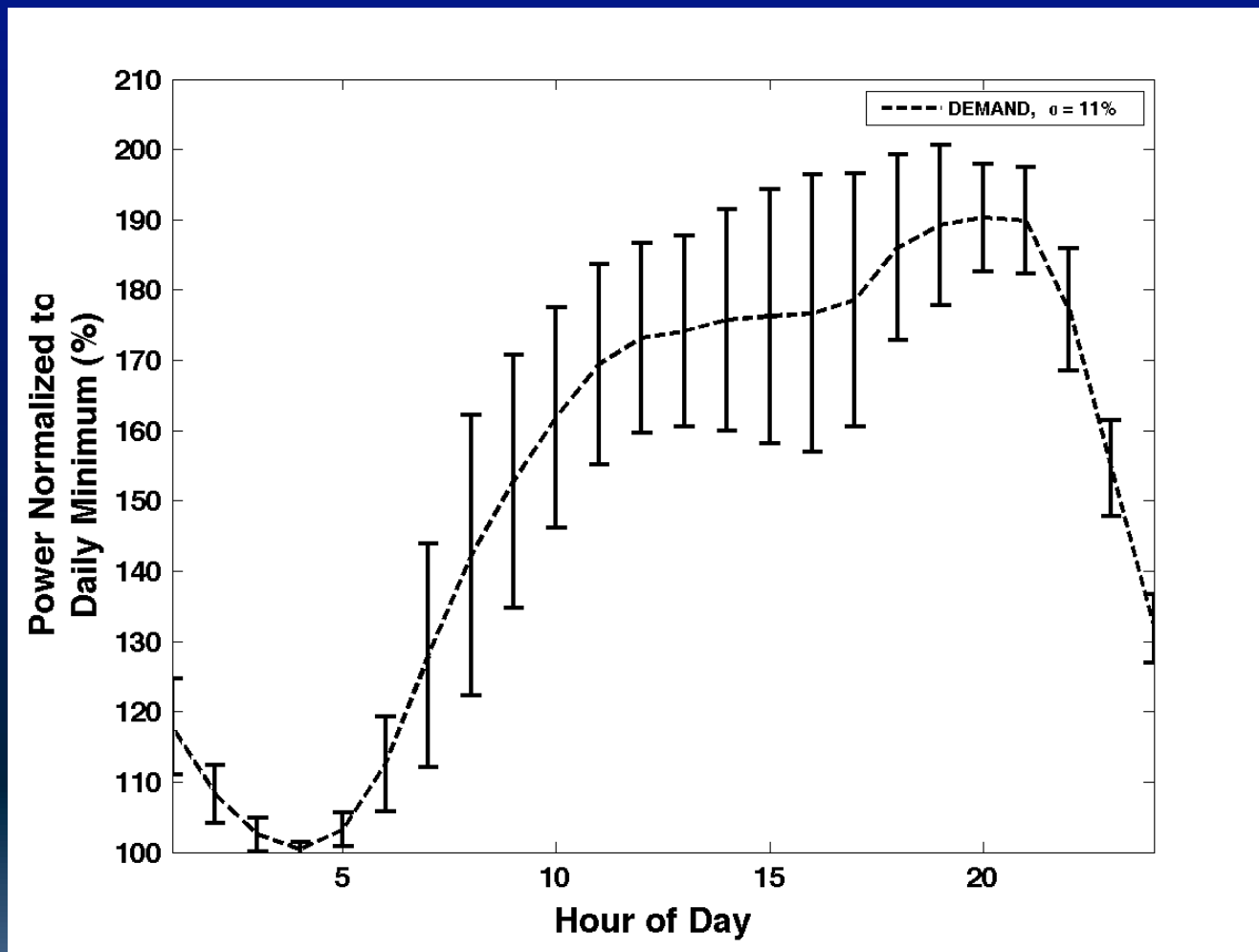


Wind Duration Curve



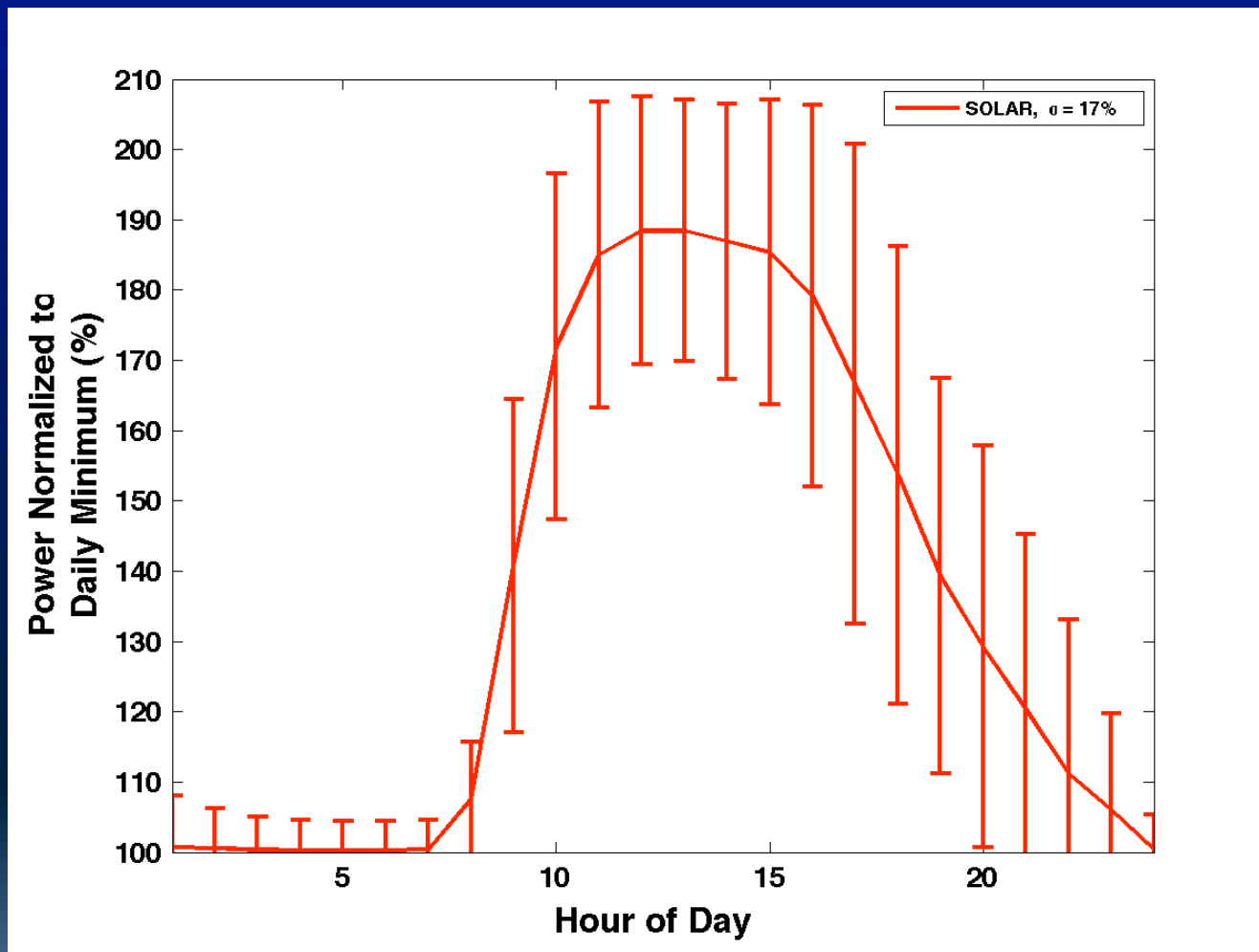


Daily Demand Pattern



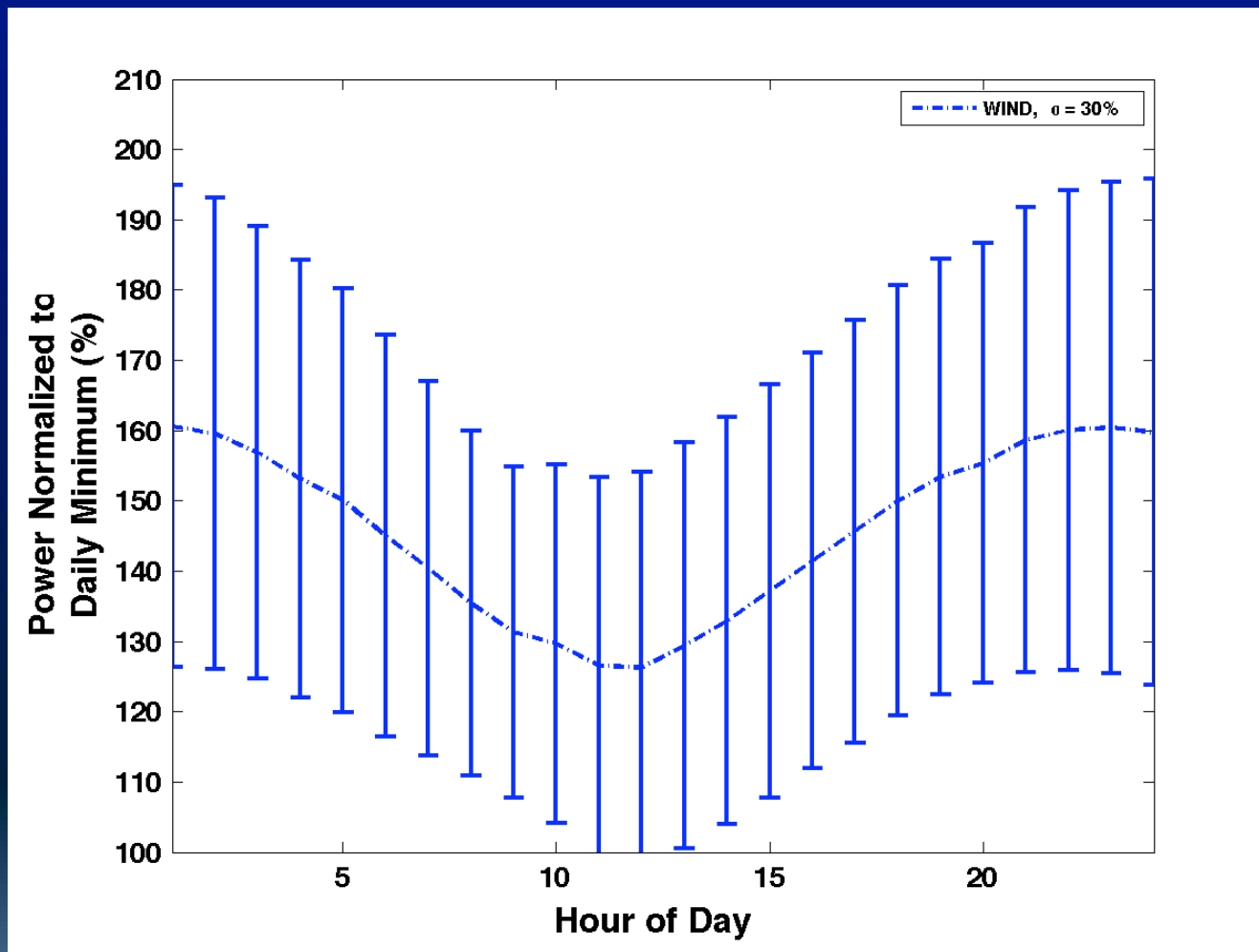


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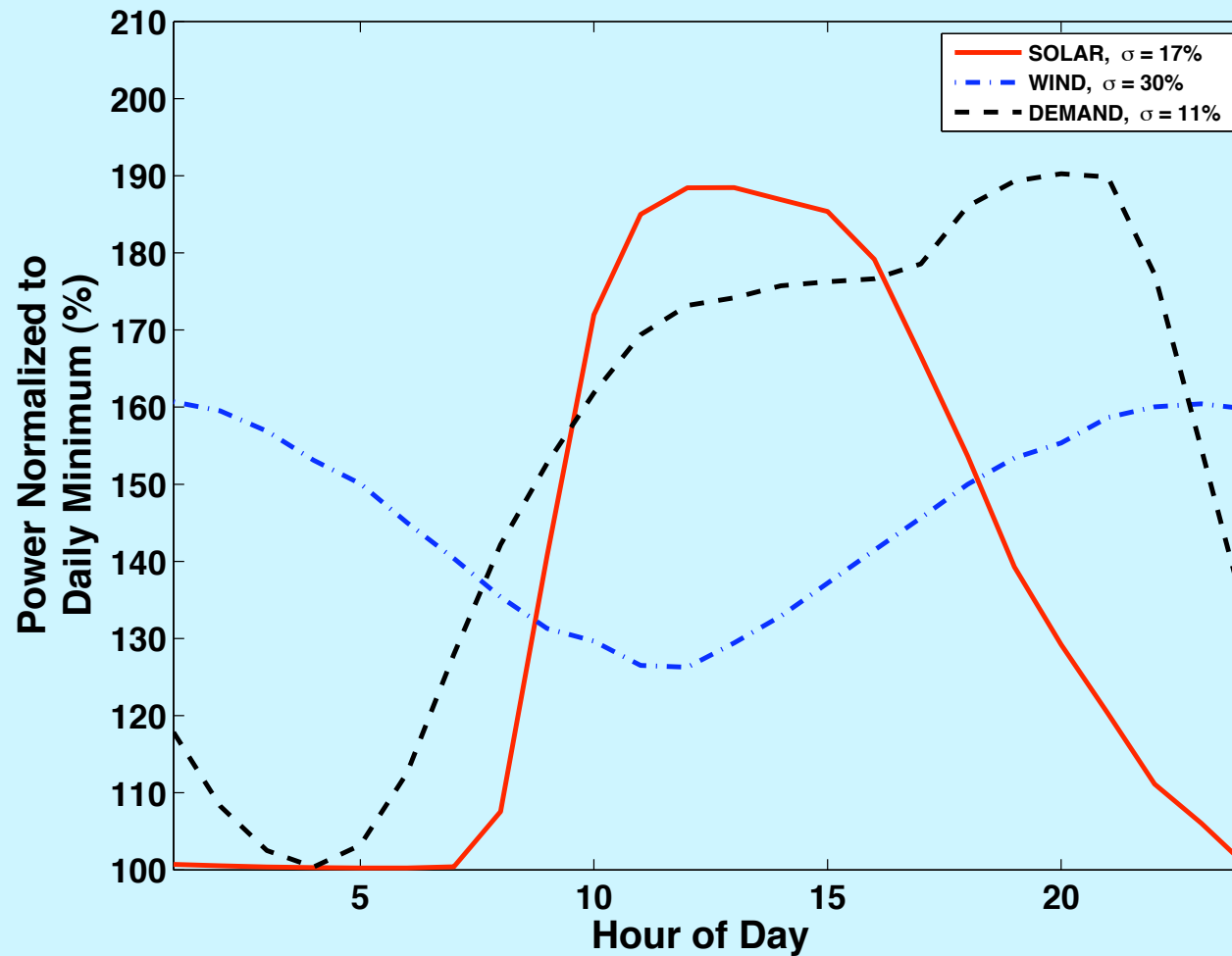


Daily Wind Pattern





Relationship of Daily Pattern (mean)

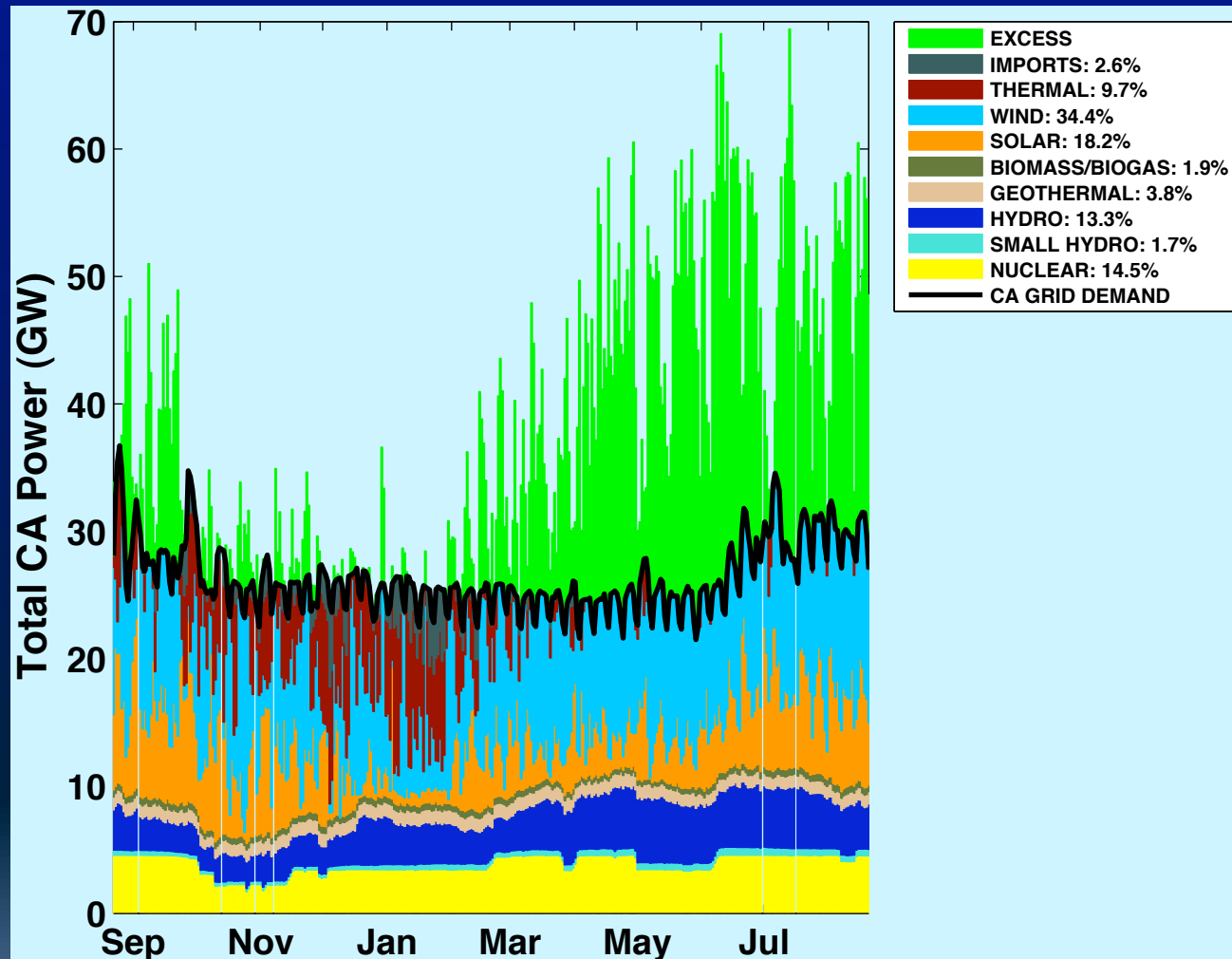




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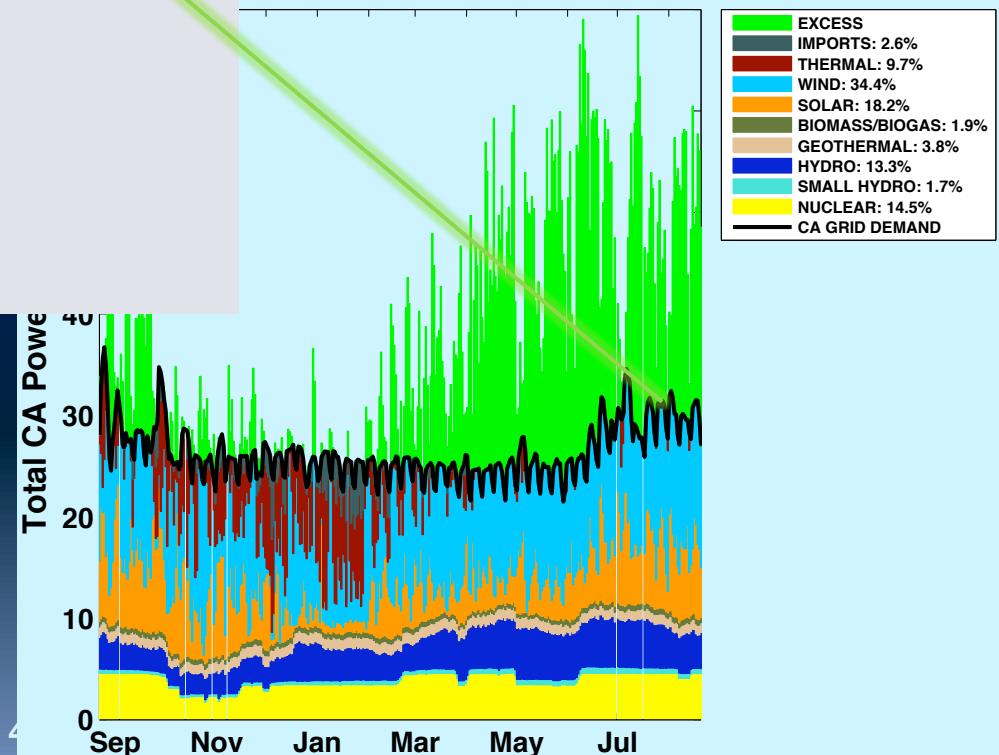
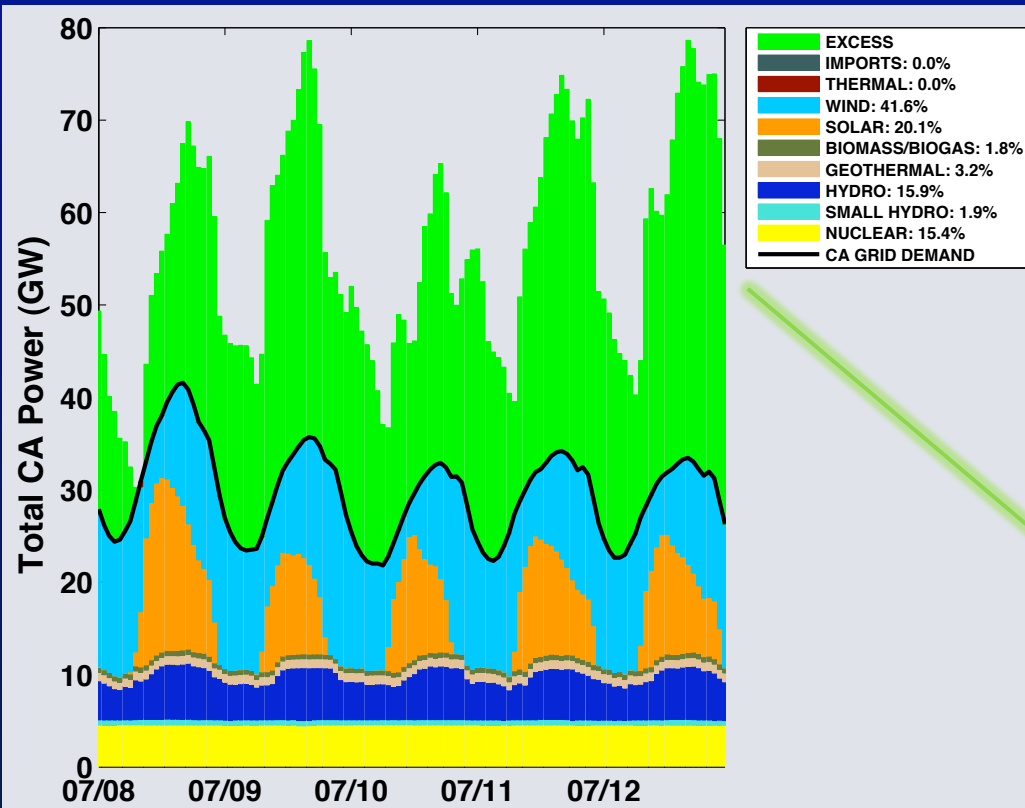


A Year in CA grid @ 60%



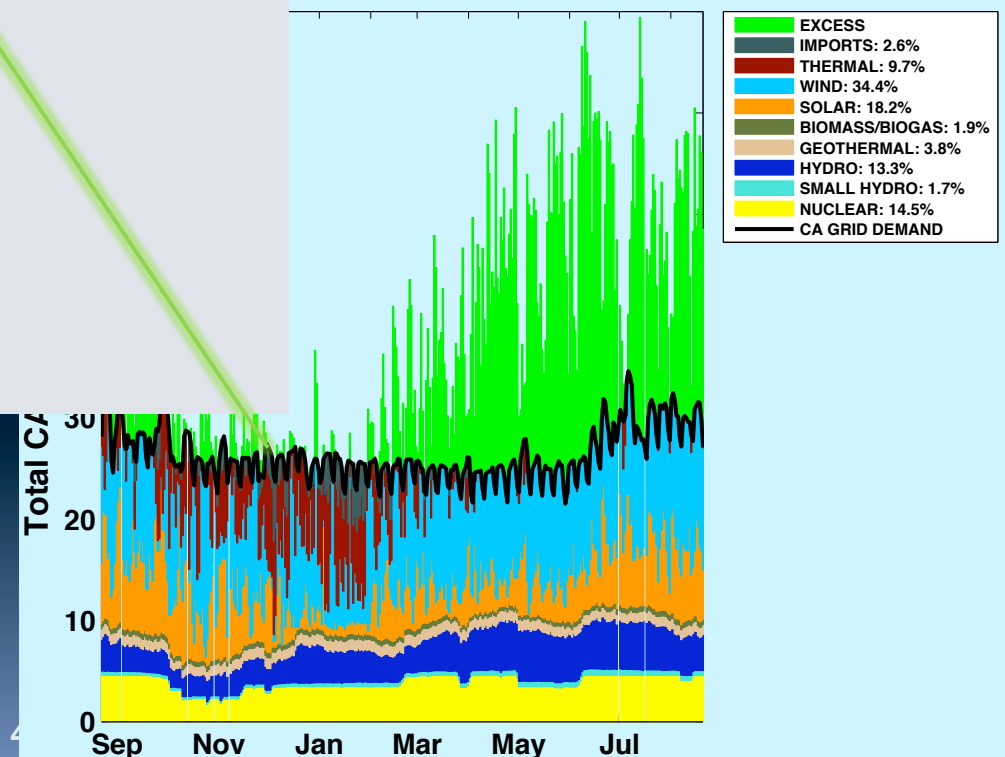
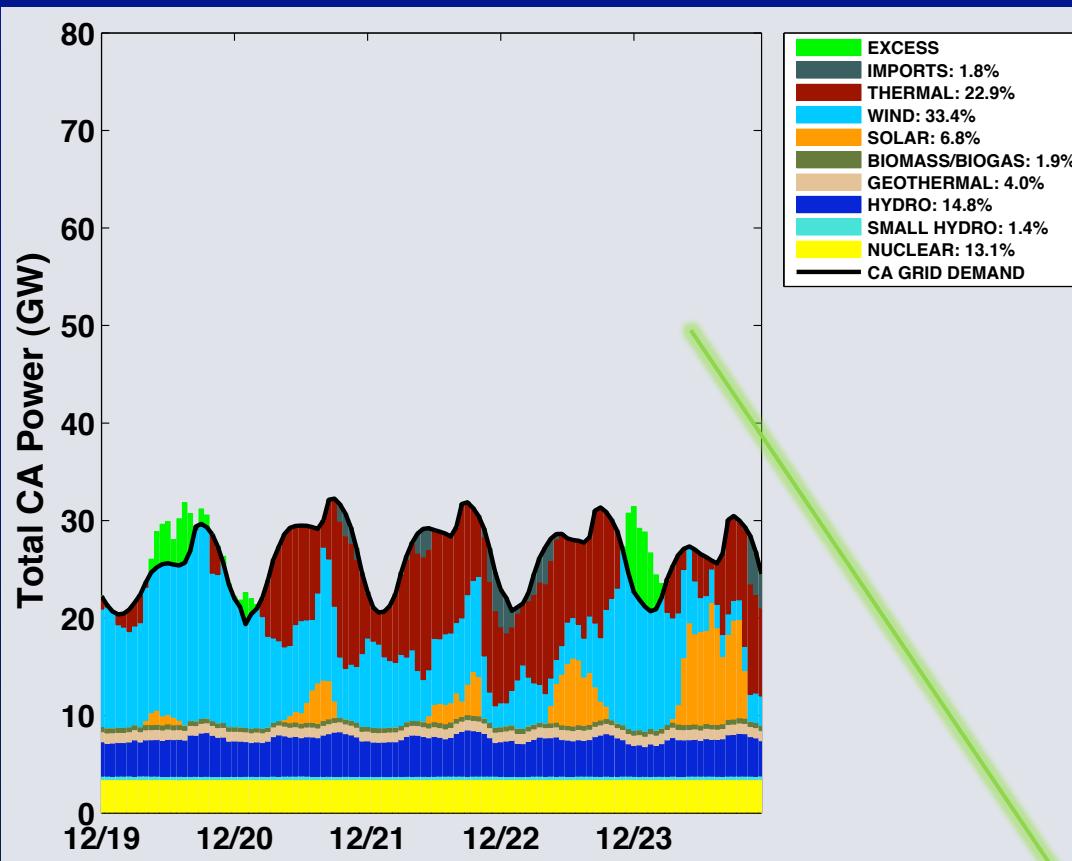


A Summer Week @ 60%





A Winter Week @ 60%





CA Grid @ 60%

	<i>Current Grid</i>			<i>Scaled Scenario - 60% Renewables</i>		
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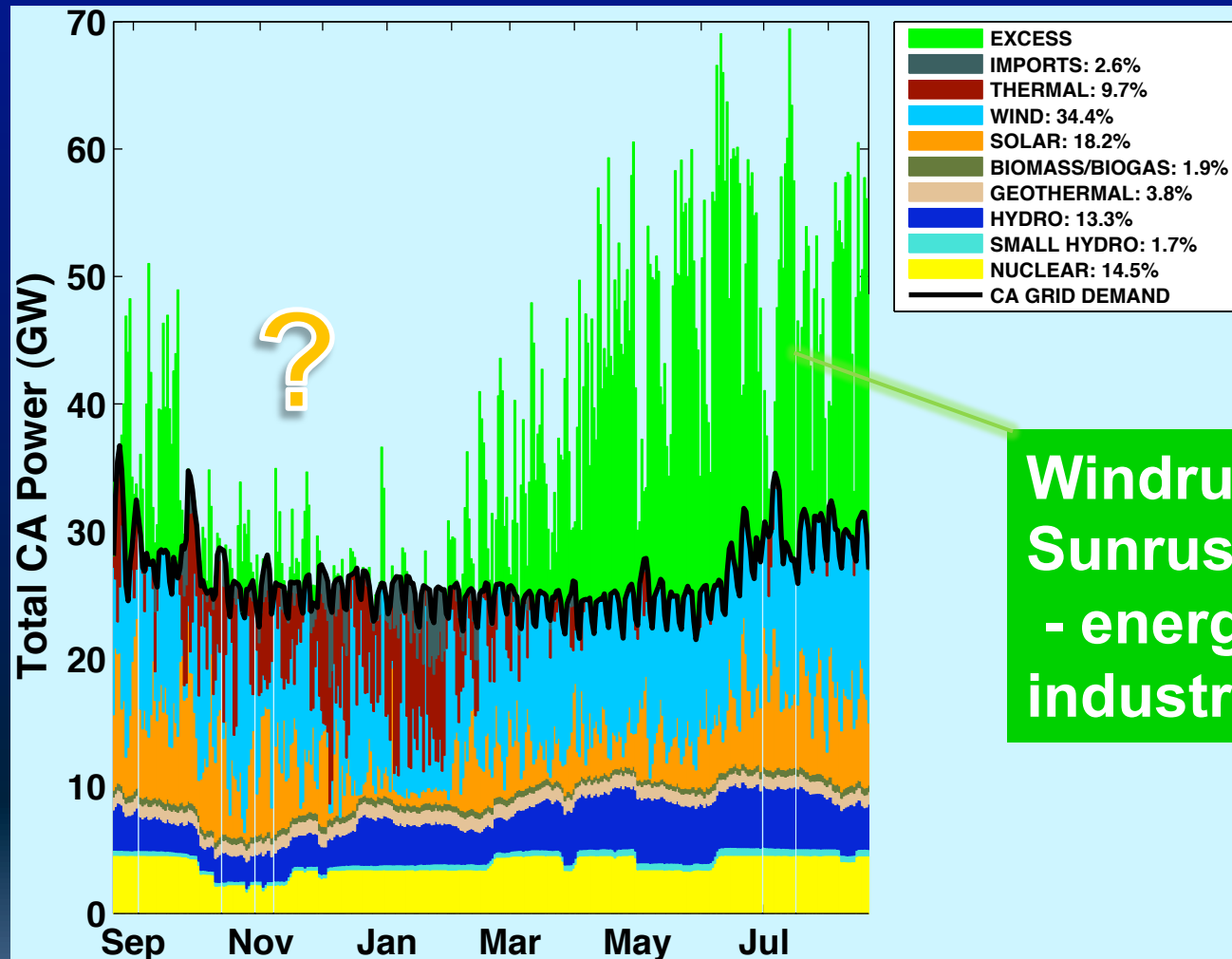


What Can we do to Make it Work?

- Design for deep penetration
 - Optimize for the whole, not peak production...
 - Use your off-grid intuition
- Storage
 - Move energy in time
- Load scheduling (continuous DR)
 - Precooling, preheating, guardband adjustment
 - Deferral, acceleration
- Efficiency for shaping
 - Poor power proportionality of buildings and other loads, especially at night
- Integrated Portfolio Management
 - Utilize resources in concert with non-dispatchables
- Curtailment



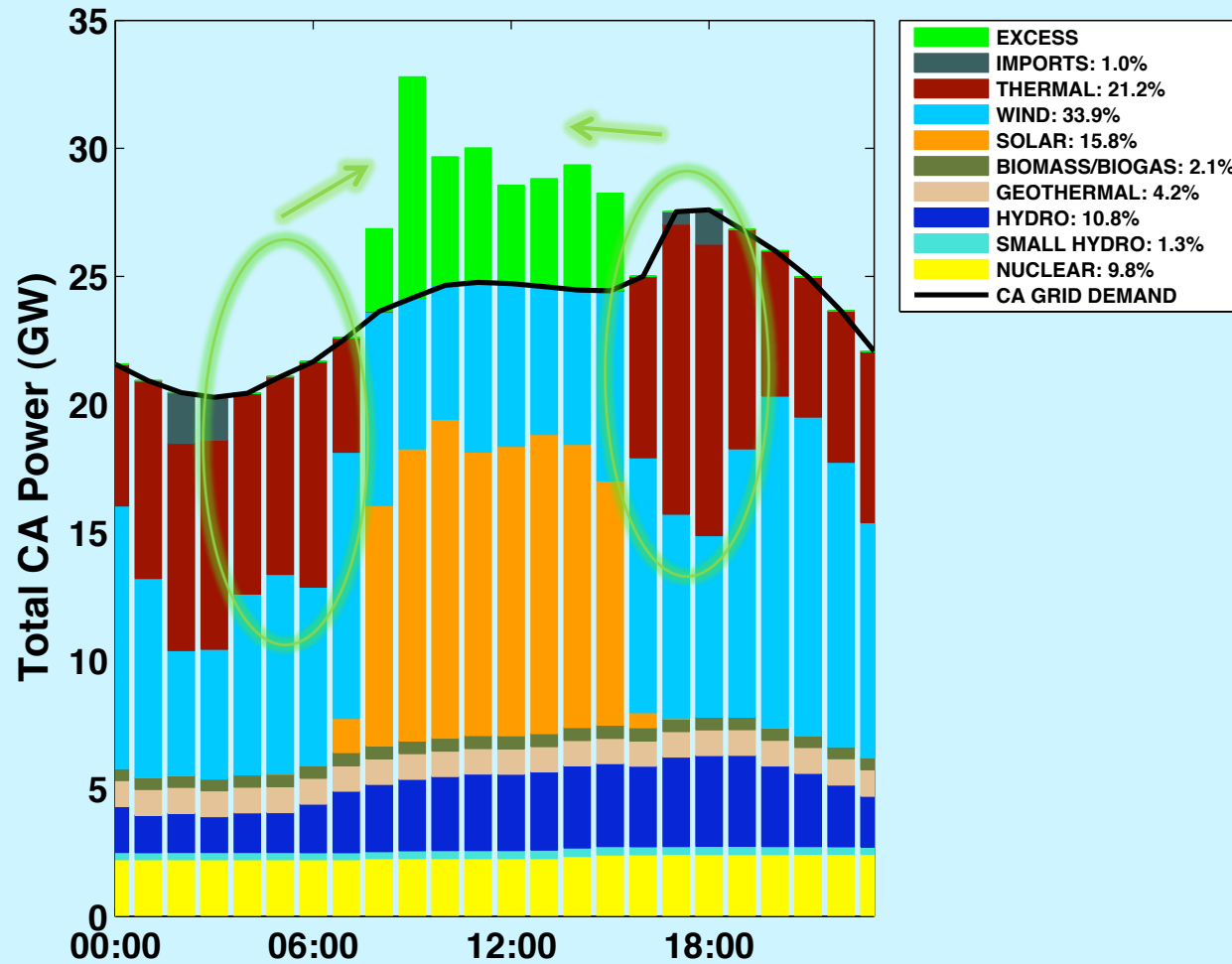
Load shifting to follow supply



Windrush?
Sunrush?
- energy agile
industry?



A Day



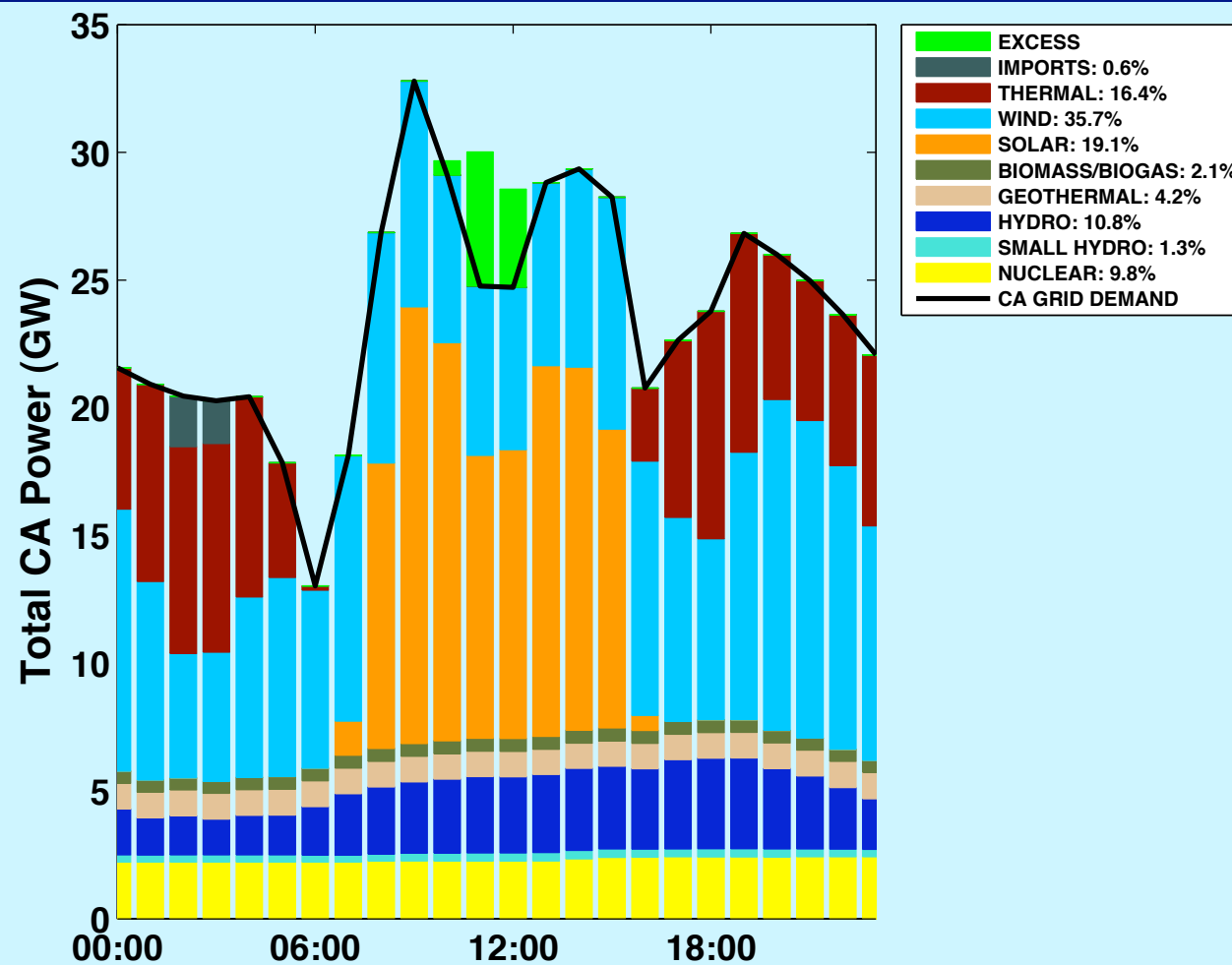


Simple Optimistic Shift

- find the best possible strategy for shifting fossil fuel demand to excess renewable generation
- Process:
 - Construct a list of possible shifting opportunities
 - FF use within k hours of excess
 - Move the load that must shift the furthest from fossil to renewables
 - Iterate until no more shifting is possible



The Day with +/- 3 hours of shift



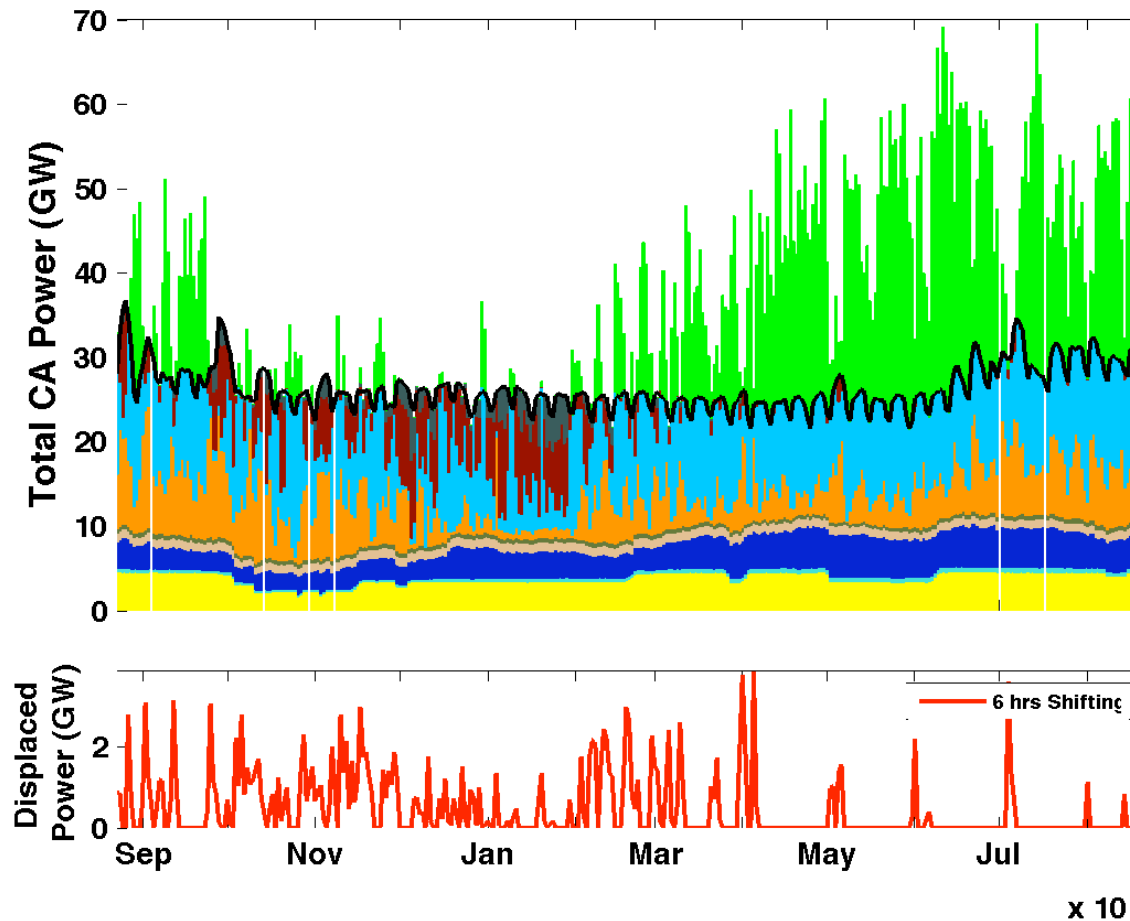


Load shifting Algorithm

- Optimistic ?
 - Any amount of load at any time
- Conservative ?
 - Simplistic local algorithm

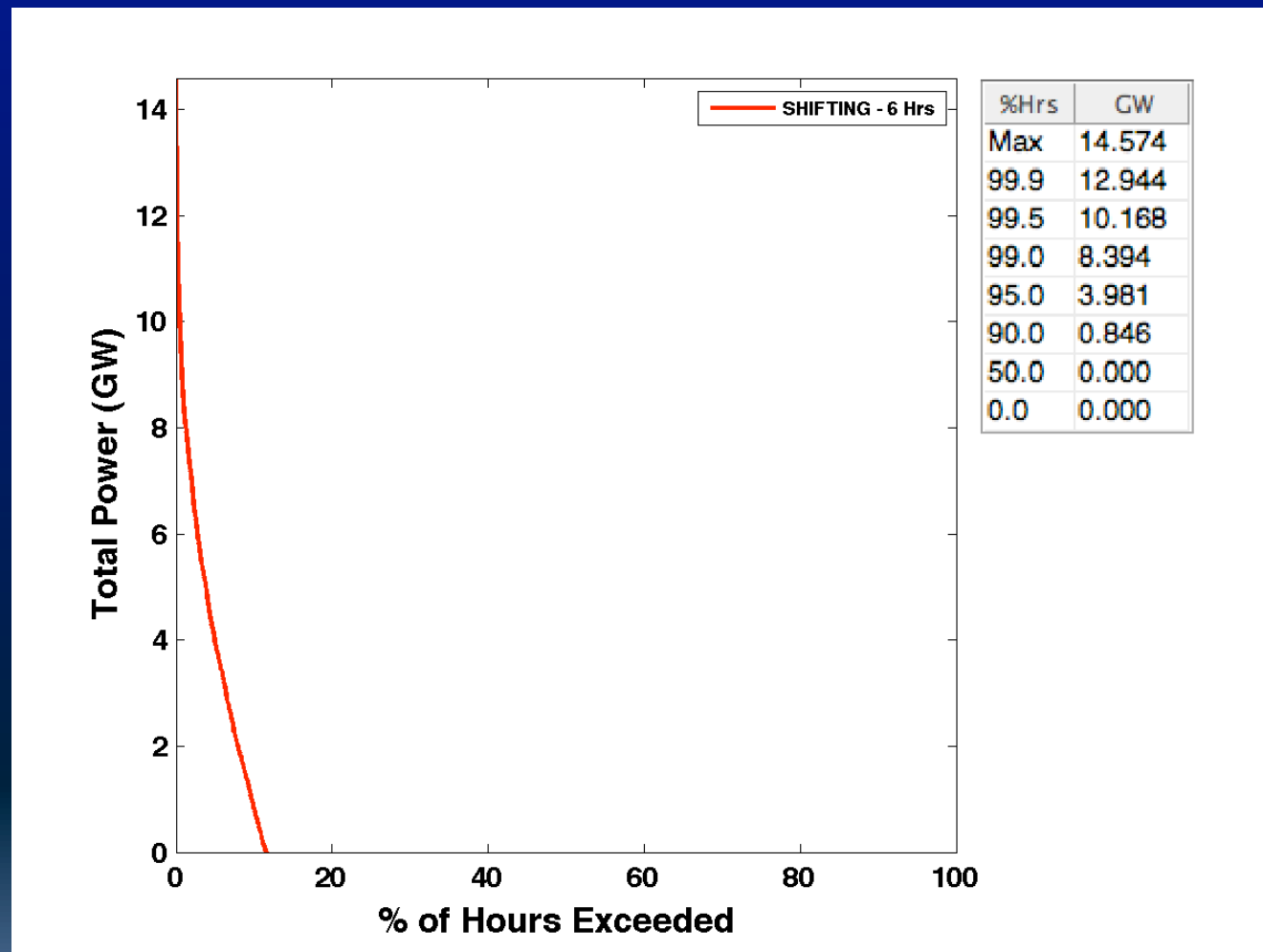


How much does Shifting help?



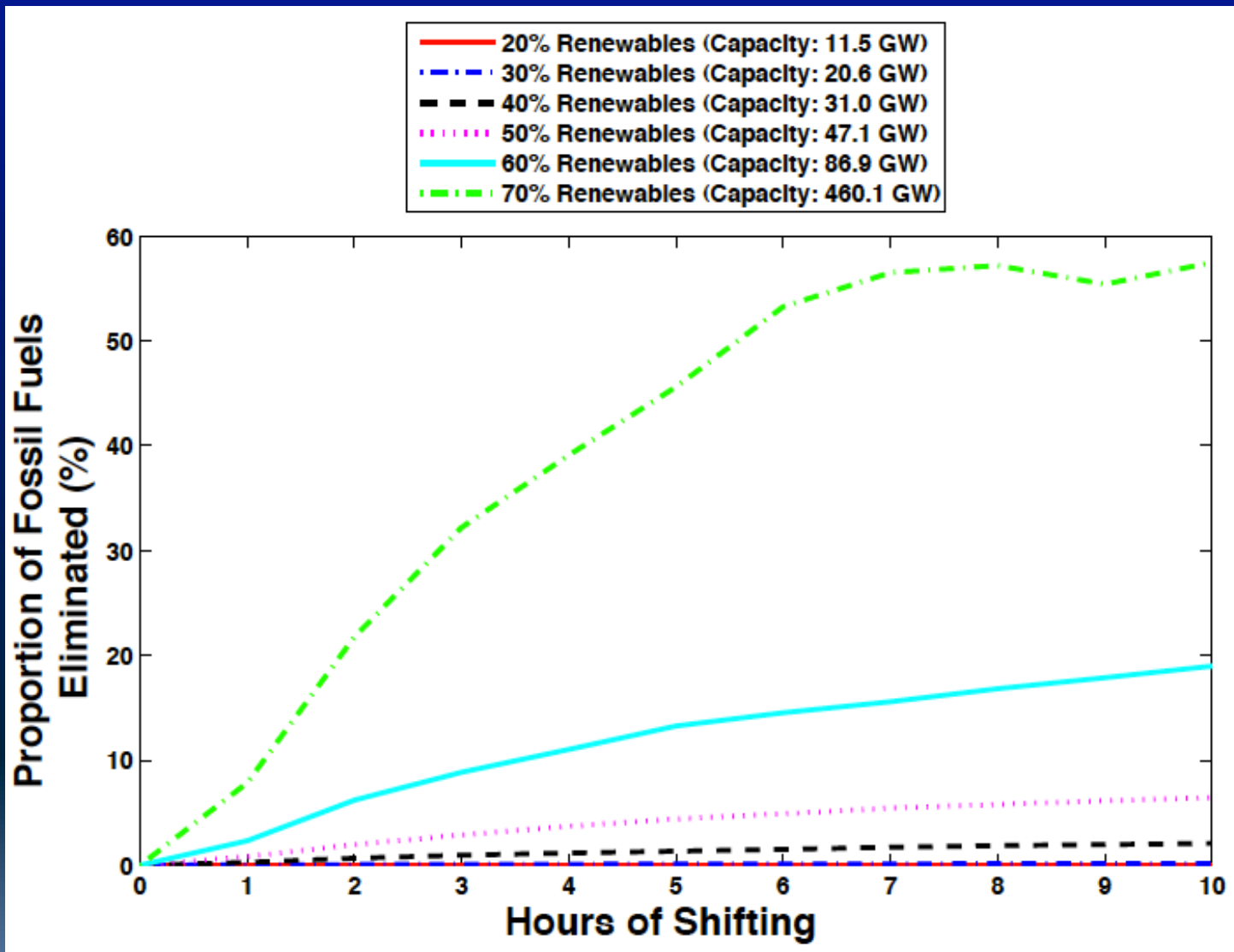


Shifting





Effects of Demand Shifting



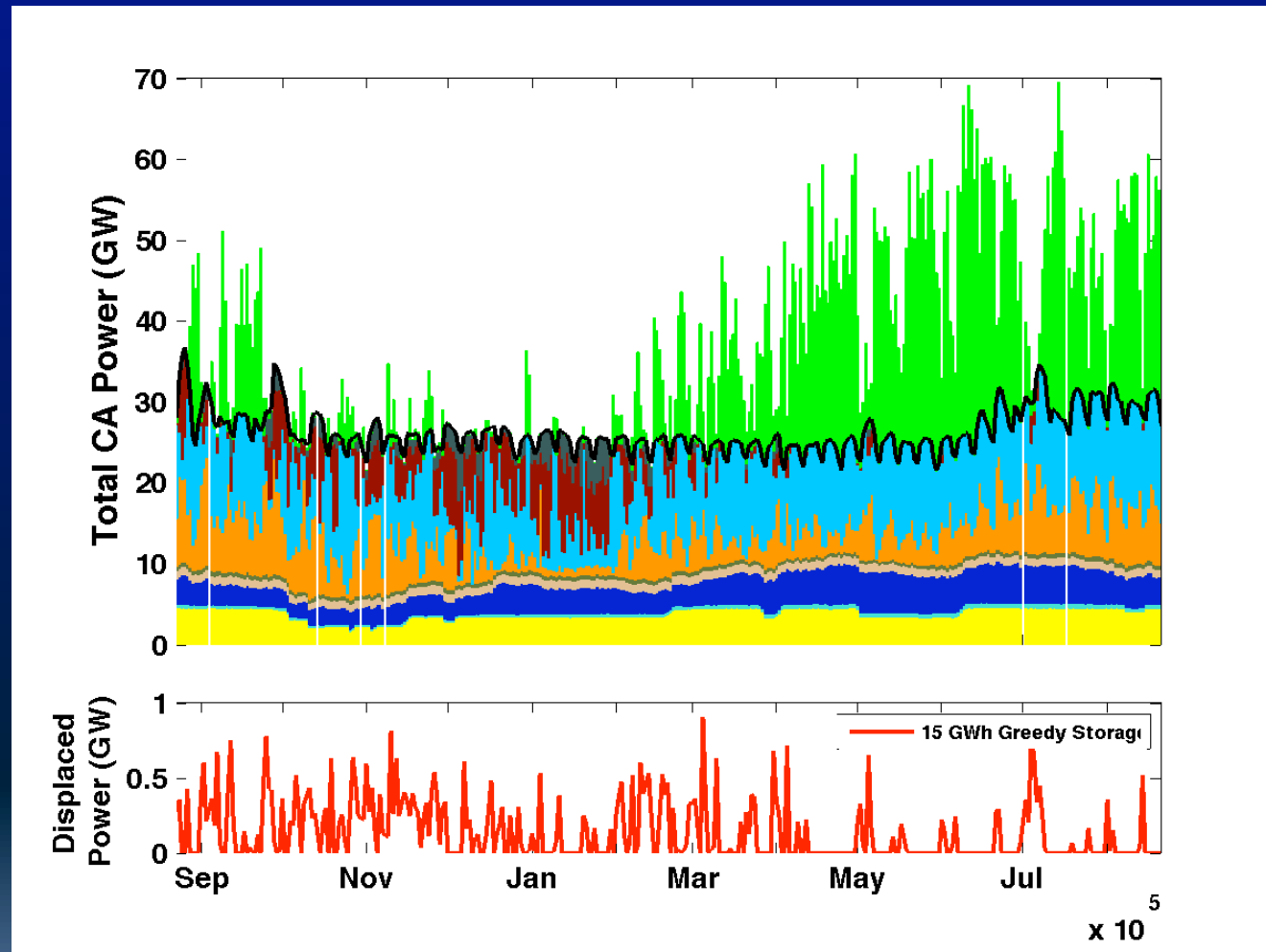


Storage Algorithm

- **Fill** whenever there is excess generations and storage capacity.
- Dispatch whenever storage is greater than zero and import or thermal energy is being used.
 - Imports are first displaced, and then thermal is displaced.
 - No restrictions on maximum dispatchable power, i.e. all storage can be dispatched in a single timestep (1 hour).

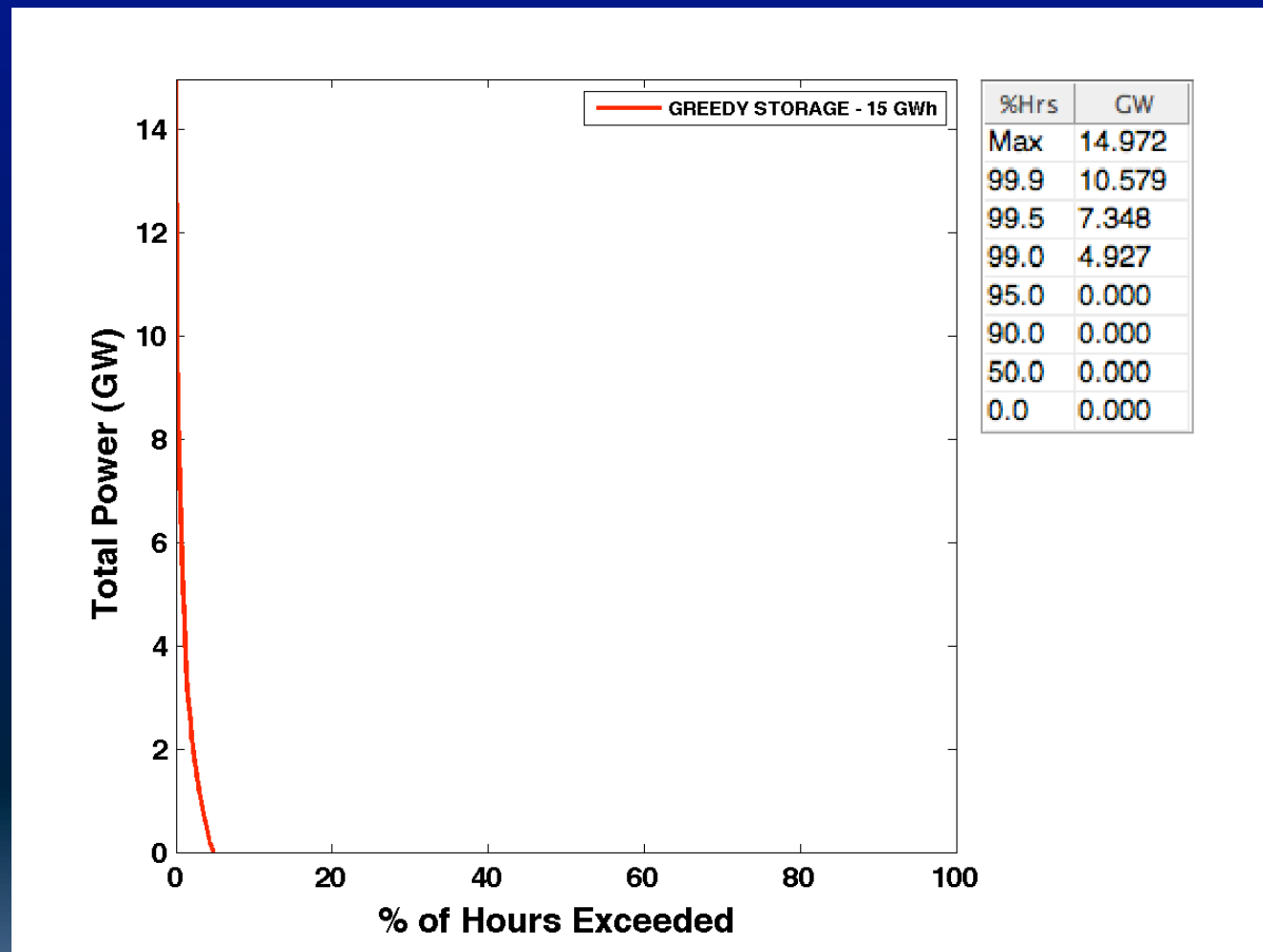


Storage (15 GWh)





Storage



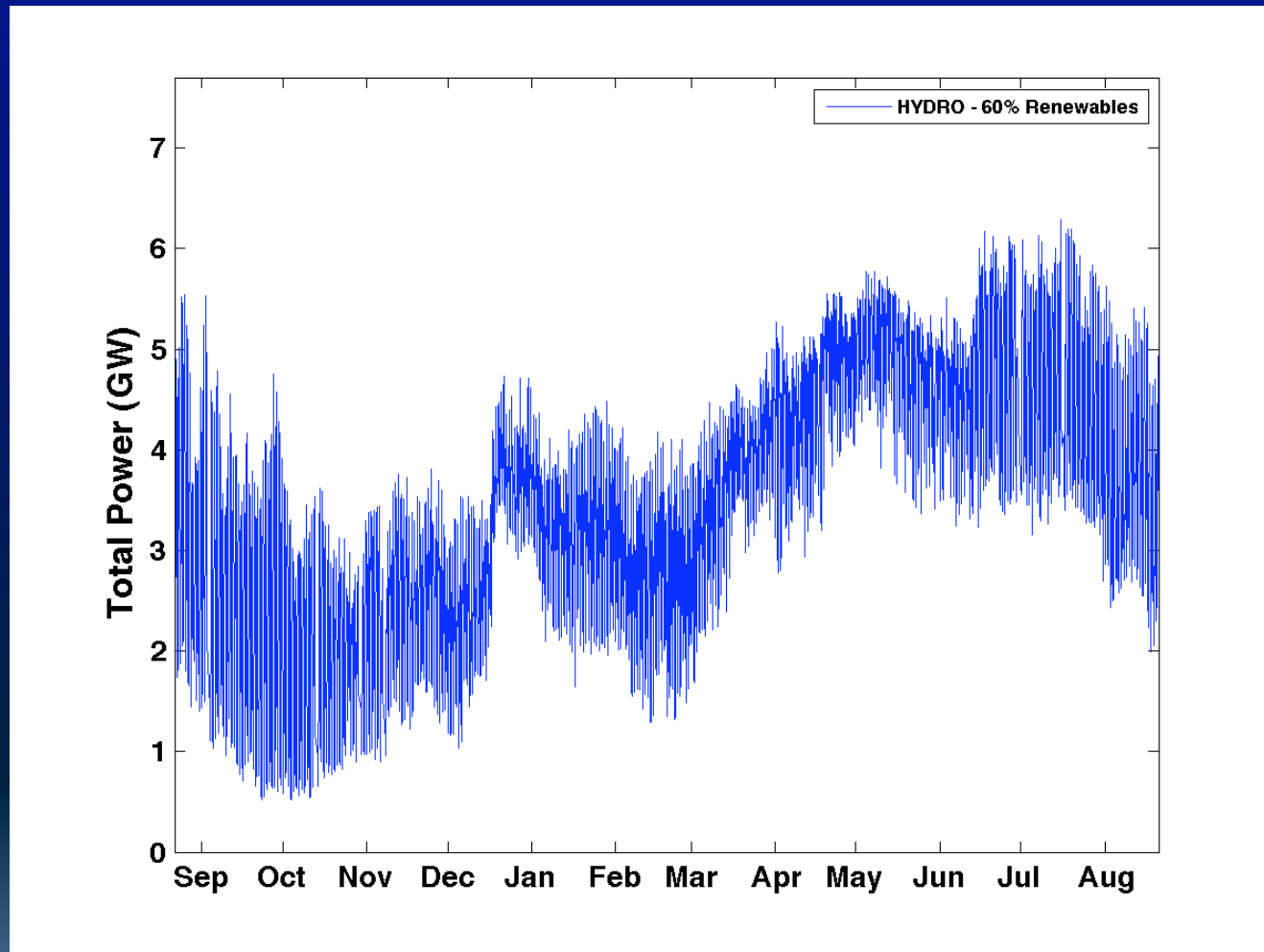


Hydro for firming

- Daily dispatchable energy is calculated as the integral over all hours in a day of hydro power minus the daily minimum.
- Then the dispatchable energy is distributed to minimize the peak import power of the day, with any excess being used to minimize the peak thermal power of the day.

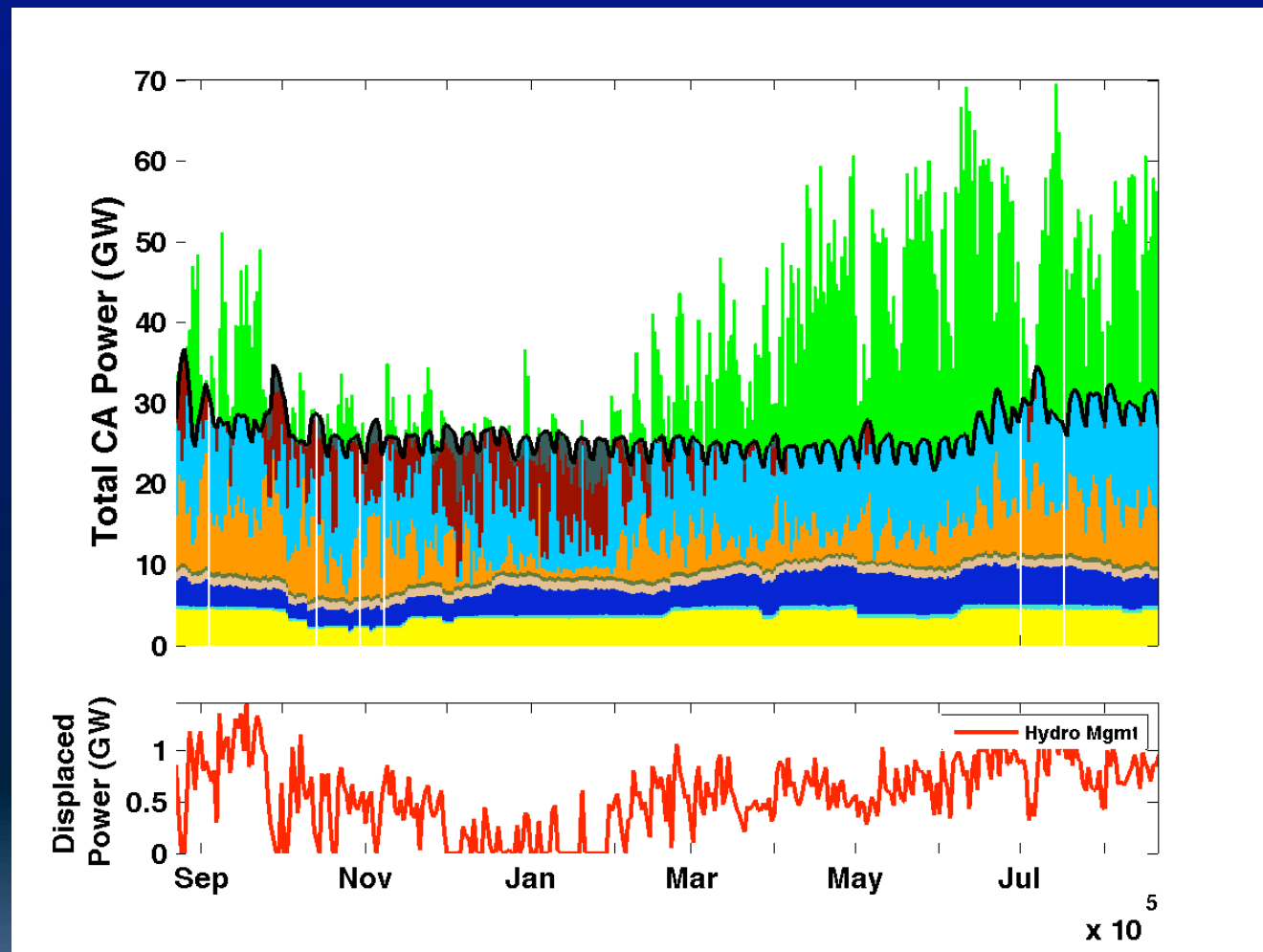


Large Hydro



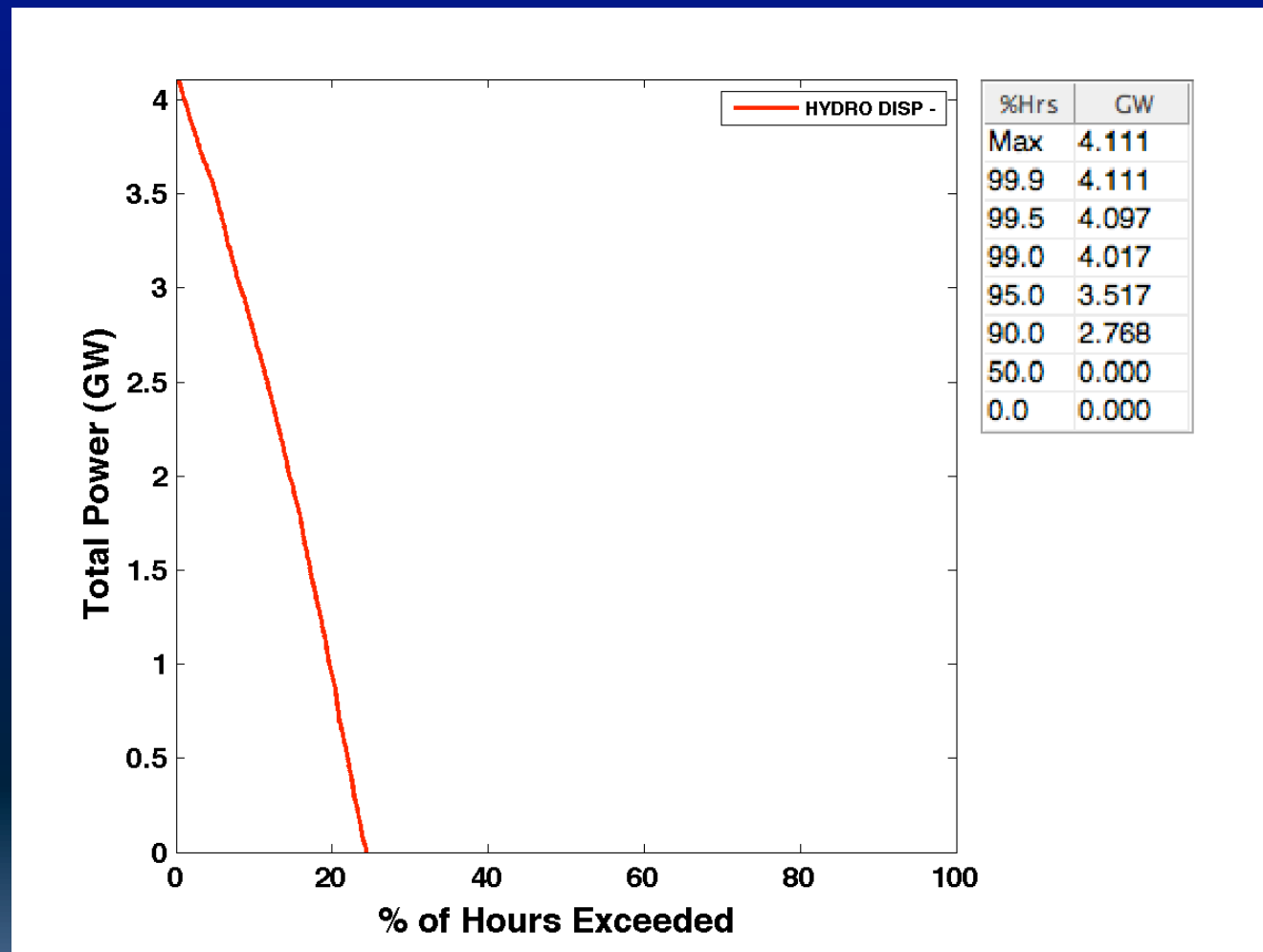


How much does Hydro help?





Hydro scheduling



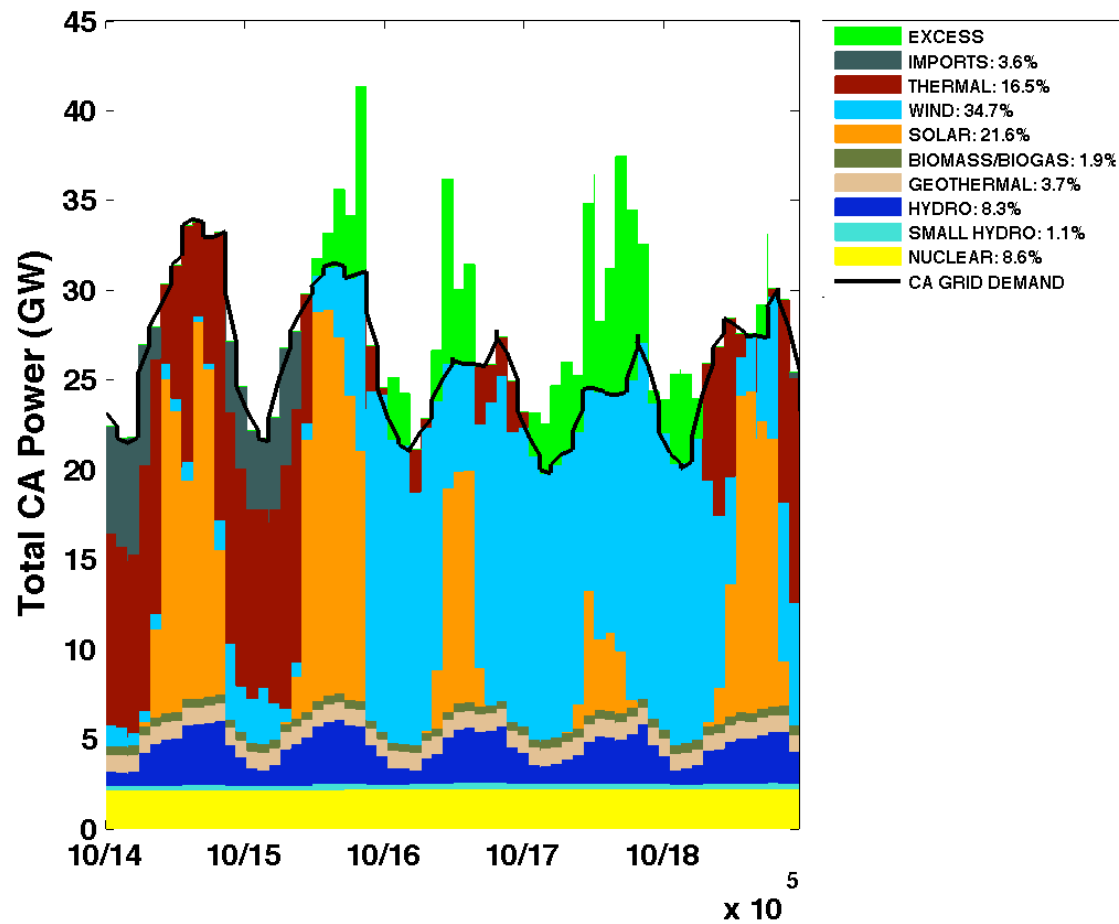


Techniques

- Idealistic utilization of the resources
- Simple mechanisms
 - Charge using fossil ?
 - Delay Discharge ?
- Ought to consider all in cooperation
- Are these enough?

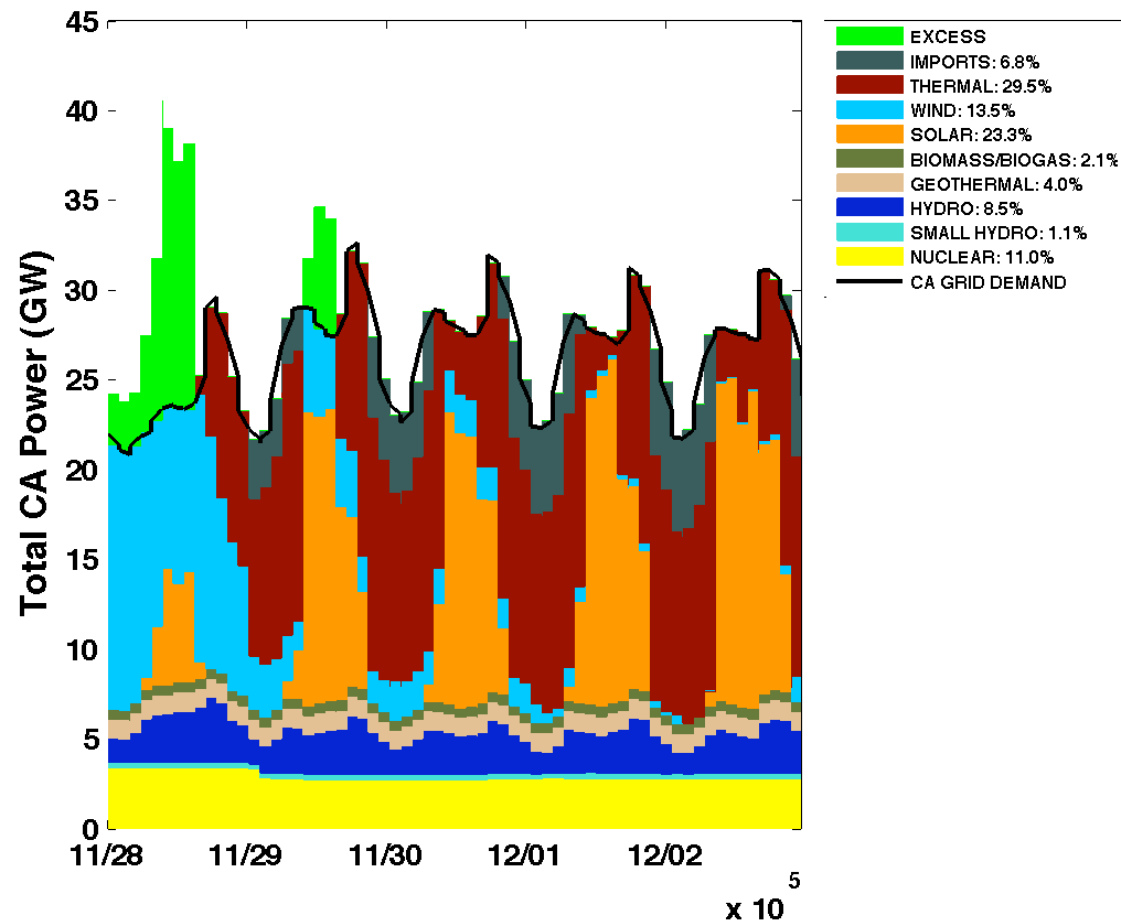


A tough week





Another



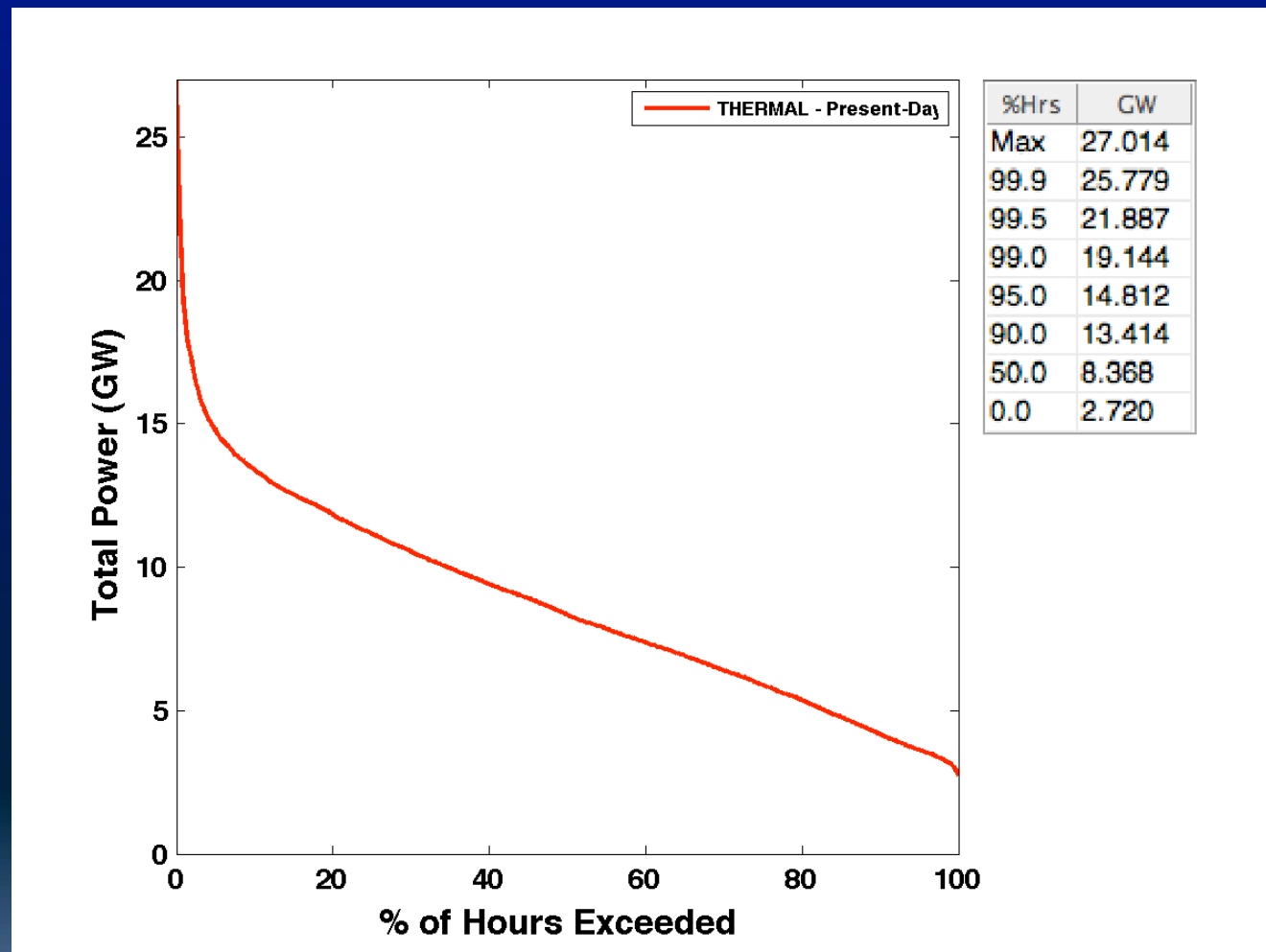


The winter night time lulls?

- Efficiency !!!
 - ▣ Lighting
 - ▣ Nighttime setbacks
- Curtailment
- Long term storage
- It' called "fuel"

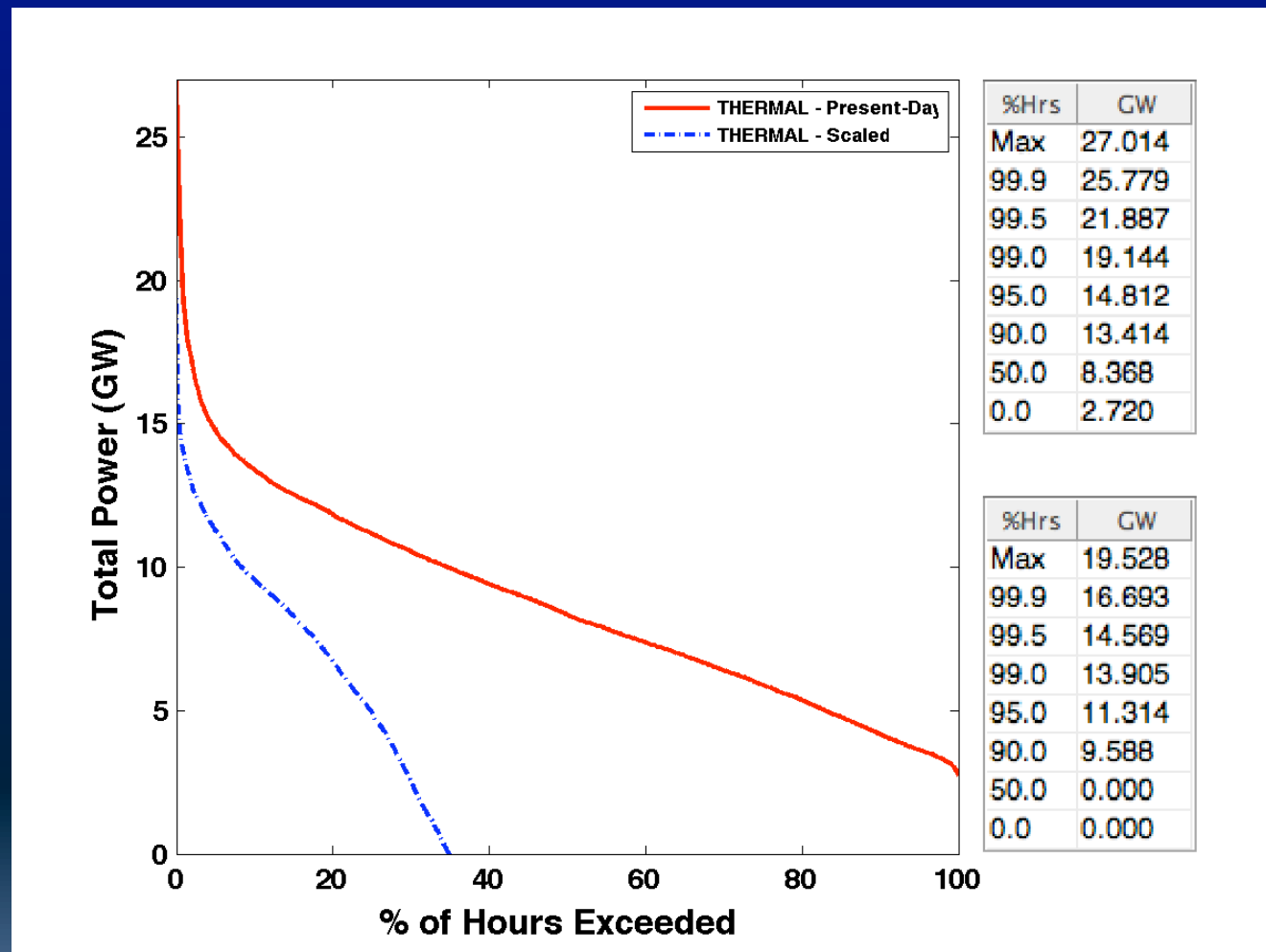


What does this mean for thermal?



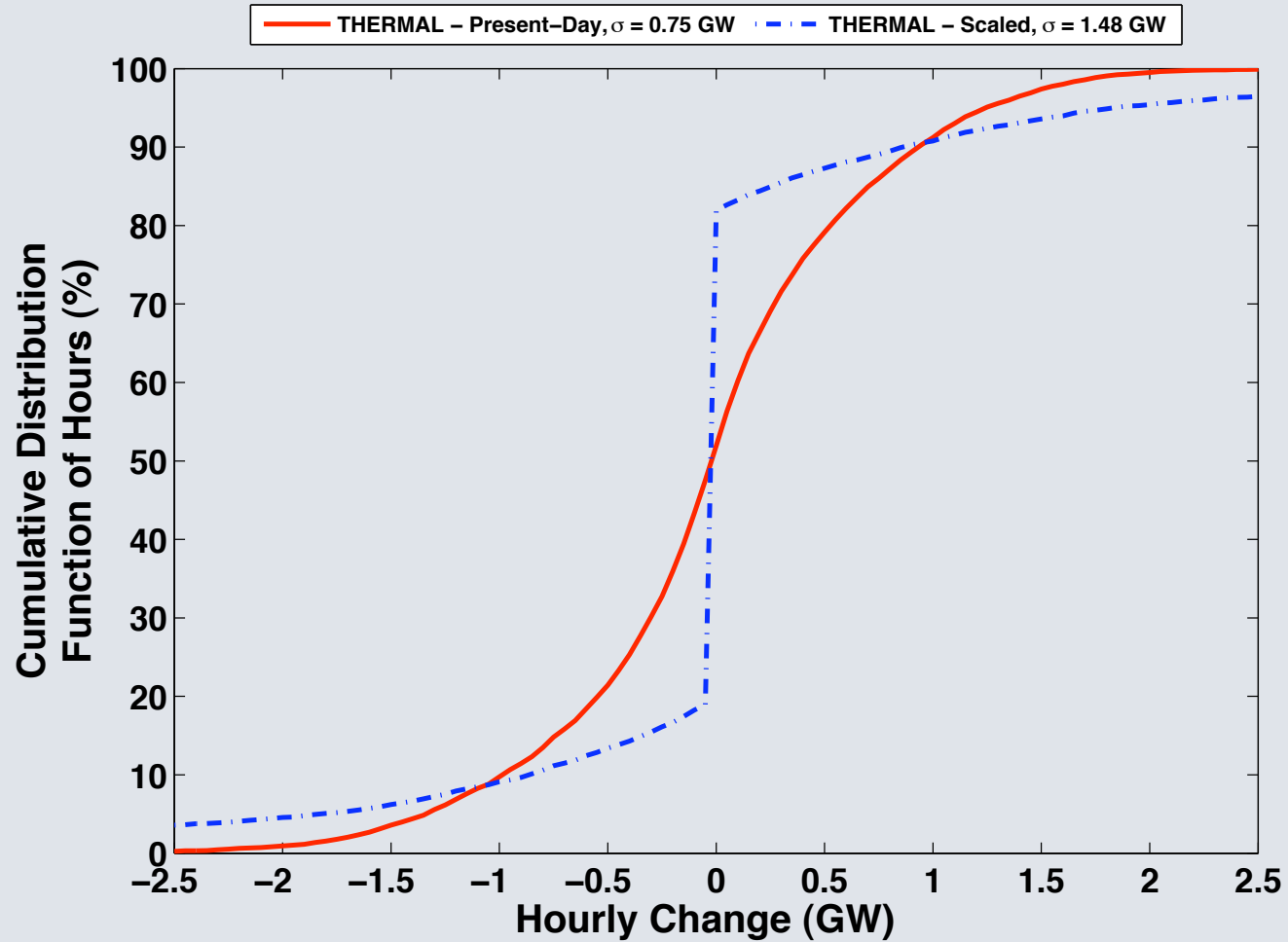


Thermal @ 60%



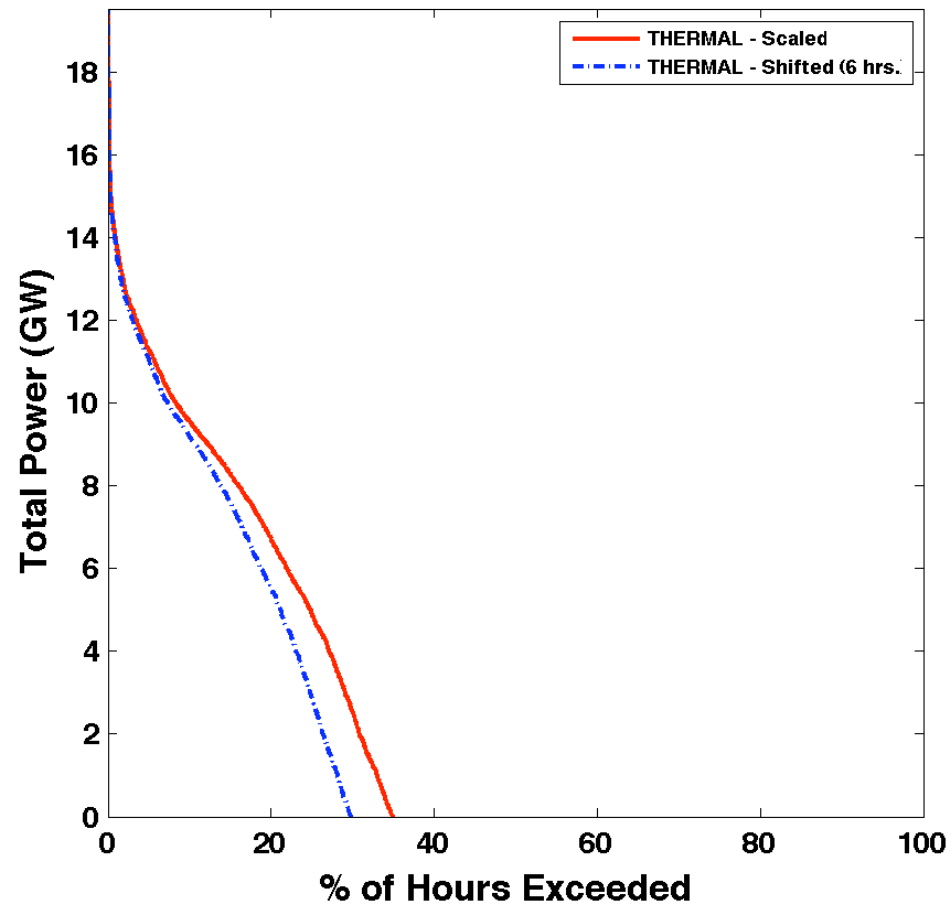


Ramps



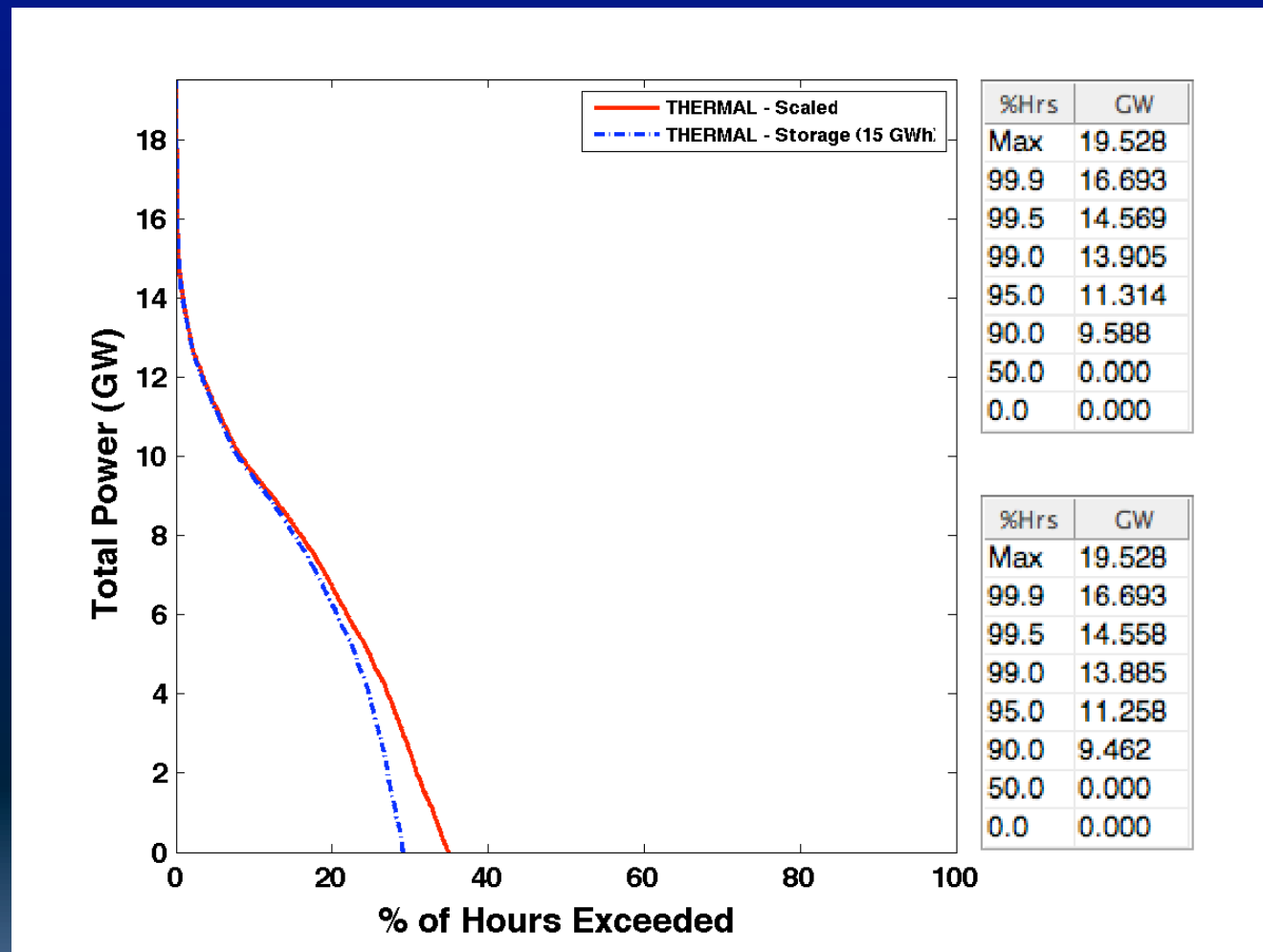


Thermal with Shifting



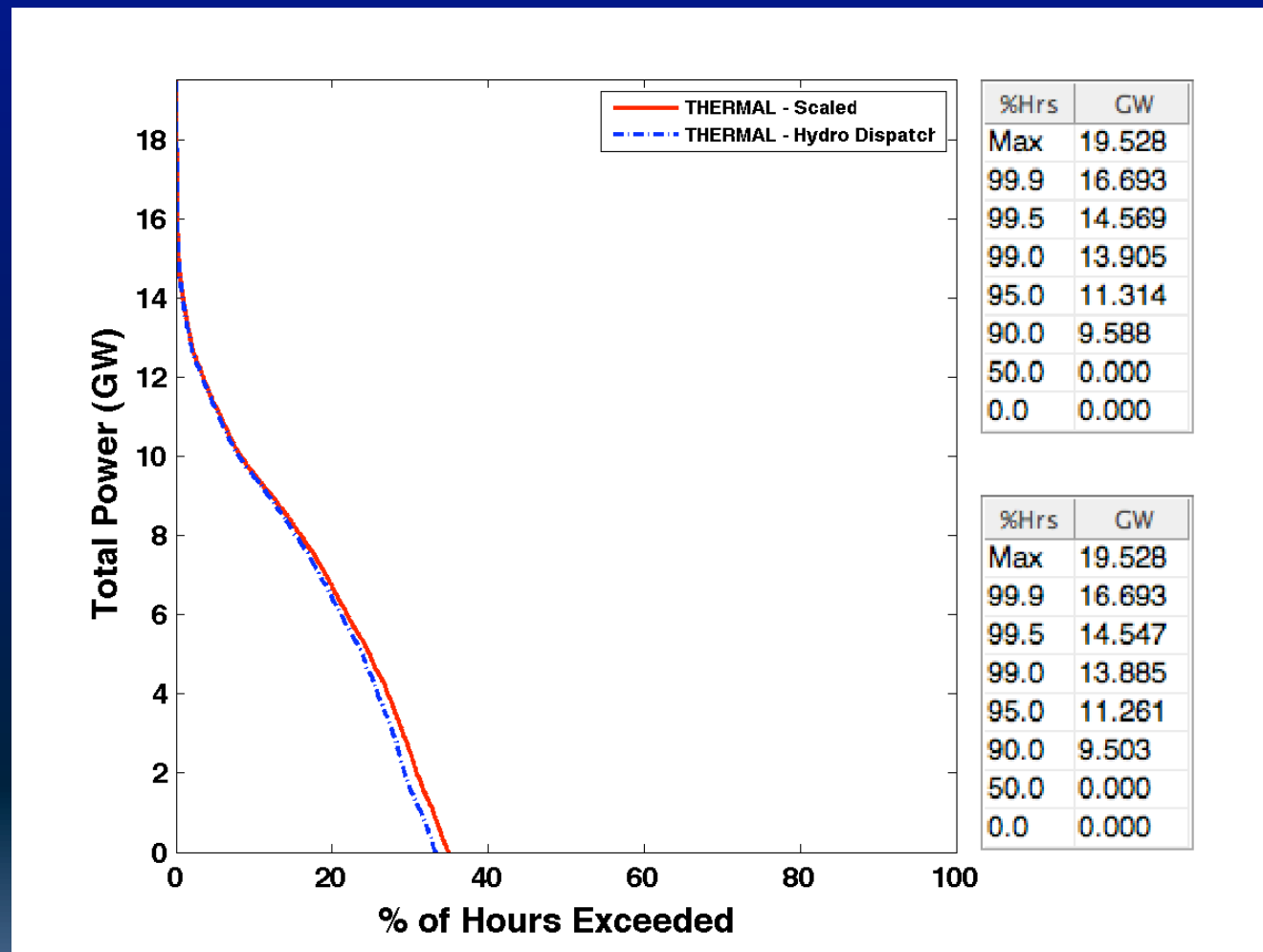


Thermal with Storage





Thermal with Hydro scheduling





Opportunities

- Here greedy techniques to minimize thermal and import energy
- Results in very expensive production
- Optimize storage, shifting, and hydro in concert with thermal production
- And then iterate to capture network constraints



Conclusion

- The key challenges posed by a 60% grid are very different from those we are concentrating on today
 - Peak summer cooling => winter night lulls
- Supply and Demand management are far more important with deep penetration
 - Fundamentally limited by seasonal dynamics
 - Need to apply them all in concert
- Whole-grid integrated asset management
 - Its about dynamics, not just statistics
- Peak shaving and ramp mgmt return in a new and critical form
- New energy-agile industries ?



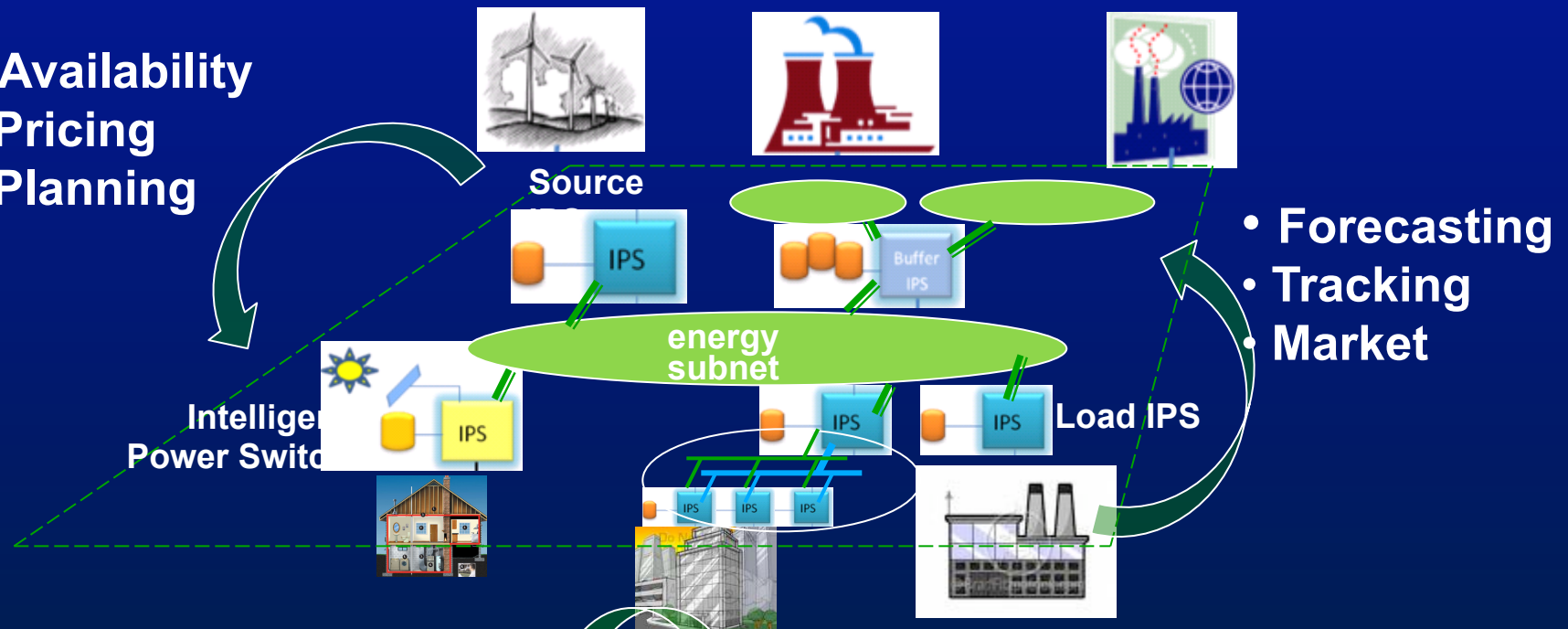
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Think Cooperative Grid

- Availability
- Pricing
- Planning



- Forecasting
- Tracking
- Market

Monitor, Model, Mitigate

- Deep instrumentation
- Waste elimination
- Efficient Operation

Shifting, Scheduling, Adaptation

